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BLOWN UP.

> Ammunition Store IN TOKYO.

> > London, Yesterday,

·A number of persons were injured and fifty houses partially wrecked and the whole neighbourhood was thrown into confusion, when an army ammunition store on the outskirts of Tokyo blew up early this morning. The disaster was, apparently, due to spontaneous combustion:- Reuter.

NOT ANOTHER MORATORIUM.

Washington, Yesterday: Government circles do not expect President Hoover to initiate moratorium when the present expires on June 30.

UNPERTURBED ABOUT SOVIET

RUMOURS SUSPICIONS JNFOUNDED

LITTLE DANGER OF CLASH.

London, Yesterday. In spite of disquietening reports of Russo-Japanese -tension in North Manchuria, the Japanese Government is taking a calm view of the situation and do not anticipate any serious development.

Owing to the presence in Manchuria of numbers of persons of different nationalities of the adventurer_type_ with axes to grind all kinds of wild rumours are circulating, but these are mainly discountable, while the Soviet's suspicions of Japanese intentions appear as unfounded as Japanese suspicions of the Soviet.

The fact that Tamon's Second Division is leaving Harbin to-morrow and returning to its peace station at Liaoyang appears to indicate that Japanese military authorities are satisfied that there is little danger of a clash with the Soviet.-Reuter.

This announcement follows the the recent suggestions of Al cutery of anti-revisionists, and Smith and Murray Butler has may be designed to avert further died down - Reuter's American attacks, until public reaction to Service.

Company Meetings.

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MR. W. S. BAILEY PAYS A TRIBUTE THE MANAGEMENT

THE HONG KONG DOLLAR AGAIN!

Another successful year was reported by the Chairman (Mr. H. Humphreys) at the forty-seventh annual -ordinary yearly meeting of Messrs. A.S. Watson & Co., Limited, which was held at the Hong Kong Hotel this

A. B. Stewart (Directors) and been very much higher. J. H. Tarrant (Secretary). Share- We are calling up \$300,000, the holders present were:-Messrs. balance of unissued Capital, with W. S. Bailey, G. E. R. Divett, J. M. reference to which I would remark Wong, P. C. Potts, A. C. Greaves, that it does not take a Napoleon of Chan A Tong, J. D. Humphreys, Finance to realise that with the D. E. Clark, A. P. Samy, J. Dalziel, Hong Kong dollar round about 1/ S. E. Edgar, and Peter Wong.

port, Mr. Bailey complimented the change were 1/6 or more, and by Management on the excellent work way of example, in this connection, done during the year.

Bailey for his words, said he ap- Drafts cost £8,946. less than the preciated them even more so, be-previous year, yet the cost to us in cause they came from one of the Hong Kong dollars was \$183,867 Company's biggest shareholders. | more. The same applies on The report was carried unismaller scale to U.S.A. drafts. animously.

Chairman said: "Gentlemen, the 1901, when the business was far Report and Statement of Accounts smaller than it is to-day. having been in your hands for the therefore propose to convene Extraprescribed period, I propose with ordinary General Meetings your permission" to take them as Shareholders to pass resolutions to

I will first of all deal with the Ac- each per annum. count.-Amongst the Assets you I trust you will approve of the may notice that "Stocks in Trade" appropriations to Reserve Fund of show an increase of \$124,870 which \$50,000 and Exchange Fluctuation was virtually inevitable, in view of Account \$50,000, and also of the the very low rate of the dollar dur-appropriation of \$5,000 to the Chining the period under review. ese Staff Superannuation Fund. In Sundry Debtors are up \$31,500 due view of the uncertainty of silver we partly to increased business, and think that in a business like ours partly to the increased dollar value the "Exchange Fluctuation" appro- from Delhi last week, to-day of goods sold at the low rate of ex- priation is very necessary.

change prevailing. Connaught Road Property, Sec- make, Gentlemen, and now beg to the North-West Frontier Province. tion A. Marine Lot 881-having propose that the Report and State- A talking film was taken of the been sold, no longer appears ment of Accounts as presented be ceremony.—British Wireless Seramongst the Assets. There was a adopted and that the allocation of vice. profit on the sale of \$31,600, as is the profits as recommended be! shown in Profit and Loss Account: passed, namely:

Amongst the Liabilities you will To pay a Dividend of 80 notice Bank overdraft is down cents per share which

London, To-day. Airman C. W. A. Scott left Lympue at 5 o'clock this morning in an attempt to break the England - Australia record.---

Those present were: -- Messrs. J. | that we sold our Connaught Road | Scott Harston, A. H. White, and Property, the overdraft would have

it requires more Hong Kong dollars In seconding the Chairman's re- to van a business than if the ex-I would point out that though dur-The Chairman, in thanking Mr. ing the period under review London

Your Directors' fees have re-Addressing the meeting, the mained at the same figure since raise the fees of Directors to \$1,500 ed.—Reuter.

\$214,510, though but for the fact will absorb \$ 96,000.00 Place to Reserve Fund . ,50,000.00 Chow, Kt., and Messrs. J. Scott Transfer to Exchange Fluctuation Account : 50,000.00 Stewart, to the Board of Directors Transfer to Chinese Staff Superannuation

Fund And carry forward - to next account

shall be pleased to answer any seconded by Mr. D. E. Clark.

COMMITTEE: OF NINETEEN.

Two Resolutions Discussed.

JAPANESE TROOPS' WITHDRAWAL.

Geneva, To-day. The Committee of Nineteen discussed for two hours the two draft resolutions, one of which was submitted by Mr. Hymans, emphasising point three of the Shanghai Agreement, namely, that the Japanese troops will undertake withdrawal as quick as possible,] adding that the mixed Commission at Shanghai should report to the Assembly when normal conditions are restored.

The second resolution was submitted by M. Benes for the purpose of strengthening the terms of the ing Point Three of the Shanghai Both resolutions were referred to the Drafting Committee for the purpose of reconciling them. It is announced that the Drafting Committee has reached an agreement on the text of the single resolution, with the exception of one point which needs further consideration. This point concerns the instructions of the Shanghai Commission and is to the effect that the Commission shall report, Ito the Committee of Nineteen when the restoration of normal conditions will allow the withdrawal of the Japanese troops and will inform the Committee if the evacuation does not take place.

The date for the next meeting of the Committee has not been fix-

FRONTIER PROVINCE.

Rugby, Yesterday. The Viceroy of India (Lord Willingdon) who flew to Peshawar formally installed Sir Ralph I have no further remarks to Griffiths as the first Governor of

> questions in connection with the laccounts before you that . Shareholders may have to ask."

The re-election of Sir Shou-son Harston, A. H. White and A. B. was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Mr. J. M. Wong and

5,000.00 carried. Mr. C. Bernard, Brown, A.C.A., 80,457.75 and Mr. S. T. Butlin, A.C.A., were re-elected auditors at a remunera-\$281,457.75 tion of \$1,250 each per annum, on After this has been seconded I the proposition of Mr. P. C. Potts,

TRANCE **MEDIUM** CASE

JUSTICE MCCARDIE SUMS UP.

> ABSTRUSE POINTS

EVIL SPIRITS.

(Reuter's Special Service.) London, Yesterday.

A large number of abstruse points engaged the attention of Justice McCardie to-day in his long summing up of the trance medium case in which Mrs. Morris is suing the "Daily Mail" for casting reflections on the genuineness of her manifestations.

His Lordship said that, while a great deal had been heard in the case about good spirits communicating with living stern remarks on practices municating with living which endanger lives at sea were people, a minimum had made by the Hon. Comdr. G. F.

communicate with the fering with the safety valve of the living as efficiently as the good, the jury would was heard first and it was allegsee how grave a ques- safety valve to be under the conspiritualist creed.

The jury had to decide, whether Mrs. Morris, in namara, of the Water Police, and her sermons, was delivering a message from given evidence, the accused said some discarnate spirit must be regarded as the central figure of the case or whether speaking from memorised sermons or speaking ex- He found the man guilty and retempore on ideas deriv- marked that the offence was very ed from early life. curious feature was that "Power" refused to dis-

finished when the court adjourned.

RAIN LATER,

The Royal Observatory's report issued this morning stated:—

The anti-cyclone has moved into the Eastern Sea.

Depressions are situated near Vladivostock and Tokyo. Forecast:-E. winds, moderate: cloudy with mist or fog, probably some rain later. Rainfall.

Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day-nil. Total since January 1-8.20 inches against an average of 9.24 inches deficit 1.04 inch. Hong Kong Macao Pratas Island 76

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Manila

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Rugby, Yesterday.

When the Minister for Education (Sir Donald Maclean) presented his department estimates in the Commons today, he said that they provided for Exchequer expenditure of £42,892,676, which shows an economy of £5,500,000 on last year. In 1906 the estimates were about £12,500,000. With the sums raised from rates by local Education Authorities there is about £100,000,000 for educational purposes in Great Britain - more than half the total National Expenditure for the year before the War. He doubted whether there was any country in Europe to-day whose Budget contained so generous a provision for educa-

Regarding recent economies, Sir Donald Maclean said that there had been reductions under every head, except Teachers' Pensions and Scholarships to Students.—British Wireless Service.

JUNIOR LOCAL **EXAMINATIONS.**

To Be Discontinued.

It has been learnt from the Registrar of the University of Hong Kong that the Council of the University has decided to discontinue the holding of the Junior Local Examination after the examination to be held in November, 1932.

AUTOGIRO FLIGHT TO S.A.

Rugby, Yesterday. J. N. Young, ex-Air Force pilot, intends to fly to South Africa in an Autogiro. This will be the first, long-distance Autogiro flight and, as the machine is designed for safety and not speed, he is not attempting any records. He thinks that, as it is able to dispense with large landing grounds, the Autogiro is specially suitable for undeveloped country.-British Wireless Ser-

INTERFERING WITH SAFETY VALVES.

Comdr. Hole on Danger of the practice.

HEARING FIXED.

been heard about the Hole, R.N. (retired), in the Marine evil spirits said to exist. Court this morning, when he fined the coxswain and engineer of the If evil spirits could steam launch Wah Hing for inter-

The charge against the coxswain ed against him that he allowed the tion was raised by the trol of the engineer by removing padlocks fitted by the Government

Marine Surveyor. After Lance-Sergeant Mac-Mr. S. Ashworth, Assistant Government Marine Surveyor, had that the lock got rusty through coming in contact with sea water, "Power" - who but he did not know that it was broken. Also, he did not know anything about the safety valve.

Very Serious Offence. The Magistrate retorted that it was the accused's business as coxswain to know about these things. serious as the lives of the whole A crew were in the accused's hands. After ascertaining that the ac-

cused had a clear record, his Worship said that because of that he close his on her identity. proposed to let the accused down April 8, was also concluded, the offence until such time as the ac-His Lordship had not lightly. If he had had a previous accused being defended by Mr. cused had an opportunity to report conviction he would have been F. H. Loseby. They were the cox- the damage. He suggested that sent to jail without the option of swain and engineer of the steam | Mr. Loseby should prove-absence a fine. In a serious case like that, launch Fook Wo, and both were of such opportunity at the time of however, when he said he would charged with interfering or allow- arrest. let the man down lightly he did ing the safety valve to be under not mean to impose a nominal fine. the control of the engineer by re- who said that the starboard pin The accused would have to pay moving padlocks fitted by the Gov- was broken by a seaman while \$250 or go to jail for three months. | ernment Marine Surveyor. 5 Pound Greater-Pressure.

with. He was charged with plac- off for further argument. permitted.

Sargeant Machamara and Mr. Ash- boarded the defendants' launch on | would caution them. worth, the accused said that he April 2, it was towing two junks never touched the safety valve, and did not think any one on board did interfere with it, but his Worship agreed that the launch had the apdid not believe him and convicted. "Monkeying Around."

This man also had a clear record and the Magistrate decided to treat him the same as the coxswain-by-imposing-a-fine-of-\$250 or three months hard labour. He remarked that by the fine he had imposed he was making the accused learn that it was not worth while to monkey around with the safety valves and endanger lives

SOVIET WARNINGS TO JAPAN

MILLIONS READY TO BE AGAINST NIPPON

JAPAN FOMENTING TROUBLE.

described as the imminent

The "Pravda," for example, says the Soviet has millions ready to oppose any Japanese attempts to convert parts of Soviet territory into a buffer state, and advises Japan to think well before drawing the Soviet into her Manchurian adventure.

Official circles allege that Japan is employing White Guards to carry out terrorist acts and then accusing Soviet

Mr. Loseby's Clients.

and going from the direction of

Stonecutters to Yaumati. He

pearance of having just entered

Mr. Loseby then proceeded to

enlarge upon his argument, but his

Worship said that he had been con-

sidering another point raised by

Mr. Loseby that the offence was

originally committed in Canton and

therefore, at most, it could be only

Magistrate's Suggestion.

a technical offence here.

the harbour.

Riga, Yesterday. There is, it is understood here, growing nervousness in official circles in Moscow in connection with what is danger of war in the Far East.

Soviet newspapers daily are becoming more outspoken and warh Japan that, though it may be easy to find a pretext for war, it will be disastrous, if she mistakes the Soviet's desire for peace for inability to fight.

officials of the Chinese Eastern Railway of fomenting trouble, and wholesale arrests of such officials, it is said, have been made in the last few days, apparently as a sequel to the recent blowing up of a Japanese troop train.-Reuter.

CHINESE CONSUL CASE.

Japan Pleased.

Moscow, Yesterday. The Press here to-day publishes a report from Tokyo in connection with measures taken by the Foreign Commissariat in regard to the Chinese Consul at Blagoveschensk.

It states that a representative of the Japanese Foreign Office interviewed a Tass correspondent and declared, "This measure undoubtedly entirely dissolves the suspicions, if any, of connections between the Soviet and General Ma."—Reuter.

with that argument only to the ex-A similar case, adjourned from tent that it would be a technical

Mr. Loseby called the coxswain, cleaning the deck at Canton on Mr. Loseby, at the last hearing, April 1. The launch left Canton The case, against the engineer argued on the meaning of the word | the same day and arrived in the of the launch was then proceeded "interfere" and the case was put waters of the Colony at 8 p.m. on

ing 5 pounds greater pressure When the case was resumed this His Worship stopped the evithan the conditions of the licence morning, Lance-Sergeant Morris, dence at this stage and found that of the Water Police, re-called by the accused were guilty of only-a After evidence was given by the Magistrate, said that when he technical offence. Therefore he

ITALIAN

From Shanghai.

RECALLED.

Rome, Yesterday. Owing to the improved situation at Shanghai, Signor Mussolini has ordered the Italian crulser Trento and the Italian destroyer Espero to return home. His Worship said that he agreed Reuter.

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Peninsula Hotel, from Iloilo. Perrins, from Shanghai. C. C. CLARKE,

Manager Hong Kong, April 14, 1932.

The following unclaimed tole (Limited) Company mark:-

Silverlead, from Kobe.

F. V. JENSEN, Superintendent. Hong Kong, April 18, 1982.



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The Mercantile Bank of India.

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been able to cut down -our ex- view of the low prices for rubber penses to a level more in propor- and tin. As to Burma and Siam, tion with the profits of the last prospects for rice seem to be a two years. But it is not only for little brighter, though due to Kong & Shanghai Bank having to the Fund. meeting us so readily and help- smaller crops, resulting in some pay £2,550 10s. 5d. to the Official ing us to reduce our expenses that improvement in prices, the estimat- Assignee was contained in a matour thanks are due to the Staff, ed surplus for export from Burma ter which came up before Mr. that the Official Assignee cannot but also for their devotion to and being 2,700,000 tons, and that from Justice Cobbett in the Bankruptcy compel them to pay even the £500 unceasing work in the interests Siam only 900,000 tons. The posi- Court, Singapore, on April 8, when as long as the clerk remains in of the Bank during a year carry- tion in the Dutch East Indies Mr. E. N. Taylor, assistant Official their service," Mr. Taylor proceeding with it exceptional difficul- where, as I have said, the currency Assignee, who appeared on behalf ed, "but that is not disputed in ties and problems. (Hear, hear). is attached to gold shows no sign of the Official Assignee, made an this case because they have given On behalf of the Board, there- of improvement, and depends mainly application for a motion to that him this loan, and whatever their fore, I take this opportunity of upon the price of sugar and rubber. effect on the ground that that position may be as to the Prosaying how much we appreciate in China the trouble with Japan, sum belonged to a bankrupt clerk vident Fund, they are entitled to the assistance we have received particularly at Shanghai, where in the Bank named H. E. Cordeiro, prove for this loan. What the from Mr. Steuart, Mr. Crichton Japan is fighting for her trade, that sum having been entered to Bank has done in this case is that, and Mr. Linton, who I know have gives great anxiety, although, at his credit in the Provident Fund without admitting anything, it has in turn been ably supported by the moment there is a cessation of run by that Bank. the Accountants and those in hostilities, which I hope will prove It was stated by Mr. Taylor that that the Official Assignee can have bought and sold. Current accounts particularly to those serving us cently have been both difficult

OUTLOOK FOR THE CURRENT YEAR.

At this time last year I did not take an optimistic view of the outlook for the year then before us, but I ventured to say I thought we had arrived at a convalescent stage, and unfortunately in this I was somewhat premature as the situation is more abnormal than ever, and with so many financial and hereby confirmed." international problems still to be solved it is impossible to form any | will kindly second that. reliable opinion of the future course! of events. But we can at least much pleasure in seconding the tribution by the Bank, itself was of transferring the fund to somefact that, in this country, we have survived the crisis of the past year better than other countries by rea- ly. son of the sturdy character of our people and their willing response duty to propose the following rewhen called upon to bear the burden solution: "That Mr. J. M. Ryrie The Benk has Correspondents in all the principal of heavy taxation. We have had and Mr. C. J. Hambro, the Direcno banking failures and there has tors retiring from the Board in No Discretionary Powers by Bank. The Bank could not claim that been no hoarding. But, while the rotation, be and are hereby re-National Government have already elected Directors of this Bank." done much in the direction of balancing the Budget, correcting the ladies and gentlemen, it gives me alone bring us prosperity until the preliminary remarks I make at could then judge under what head was going into liquidation, the grams are lying at the Eastern Ex-trade of the world recovers and the beginning of this meeting, there is a marked improvement in the devoted work that Mr. Ryrie the Bank, he understood, was that the matter, would have no author-Dekatangelino, passenger, Ram- the price level. The change in our gives to the Bank, and in Mr. the directors admitted they were ity to do this division into five," fiscal policy by the introduction of Hambro I am sure you know that trustees but they claimed a discre- he proceeded. "The liquidator of W. F. Fincher, from Melbourne the Import Duties Bill is admitted. We have a colleague in whom we ly an experiment the effects of have the utmost confidence and He understood them to claim that over the assets and he would take Mr. and Mrs. W. Greenbaum, which have yet to be seen, but, like whose advice and assistance is of it was a discretionary trust, but over this account, and supposing the suspension of the Gold Stan- the greatest value to the Direcdard, this may be said to have been tors. (Hear, hear.) I therefore stances, they had no discretion to tor would be a trustee for each of forced upon us and if it only results have pleasure in proposing the hold the money from the Official these clerks for the whole of the in restoring a favourable balance of resolution as read out to you, Assignee. have cause for satisfaction. even then there will be many international questions outstanding, the is lying at the office of settlement of which will take time. the Great Northern Telegraph and until the balance between production and consumption is restored by the liquidation of the existing large stocks of many primary products, I am afraid we cannot look for the essential rise in prices generally, the free exchange of goods and the restoration of confidence. It is too much to hope for a cancellation of Reparations and War Debts as the result of the coming Conference at Lausanne, but a revision of these to correspond with the price level would clear the air, while if there is to be a measure of credit expansion and a better use made of gold in America arising from legislation in that country, this would be

helpful all round, provided there is no uncontrolled inflation.

an improvement in the economic and gentlemen, I think that conposition since the suspension of the cludes the business of the meet-Gold Standard and the resulting ing and I thank you for the palarge exports of gold but, like other tient manner in which you have corded. agricultural countries, India re- listened to me. quires a revival of trade throughout Mr. P. E. Gourju: May I sug- ladies and gentlemen, I beg to that the Fund was to be paid over the world and above all a cessa- gest that we pass a hearty vote thank you very much for the to the Official Assignee. tion of political disturbances. Money of thanks to the Chairman and cordial vote of thanks which you The further hearing was adconditions in London and India are to the Board of Directors. Of have passed, and I can assure journed until April 11.—Straits now easier than they have been course, it was quite a shock to you that in the current year we Times. for a long time. and give reason the Shareholders when they shall endeavour to continue to for hope that 1982 may see some heard of the reduction in divi- work as we have done in the

prophesy at the present time.

if anyone wants to ask any ques- tively. report of the Directors with the and Balance Sheet at 31st Decemher, 1931, presented to this meeting, be and the same are hereby received, approved and adopted, and that a final dividend on the "A," "B" and "C" Shares of this Bank of 5 per cent. be paid, making 12 per cent. for the year, less Income Tax, as recommended in the report, and the same is

I will ask Mr. Chalmers if he Mr. P. R. Chalmers: I have

The resolution was put to the

meeting and carried unanimous-The Chairman: It is now my

In proposing that resolution, balance of payments and defending great pleasure, because you all the pound sterling, they cannot know, as I have explained in the

trade and raising revenue we shall and I will ask Mr. Shelford to se-But | cond it.

second the resolution.

approved like someone from the body of money.

pany be re-appointed Auditors of the bankrupt to resign. But as neration be 300 guineas each for each audit."

Mr. R. G. Bamford: I beg to second that proposition The resolution was unanimouslv adopted.

India it can be said there has been The Chairman: Well, ladies cond the vote of thanks?

revival in trade, but unfortunately dend, and must have brought past so that when we hold our conditions in Central Europe are home to everybody the excep- next meeting we may merit the still far from stable, and one would tional difficulties with which the same confidence as you have exhave to be an optimist indeed to Directors have had to contend, pressed in us in past years. (Ap- agents for the Societe Internationbut we are pleased to see that plause). There is no sign of improvement the results shown are quite good. The proceedings then termin- us that the latest official quotation in conditions in British Malaya in as compared with those of many sted.

H.K. BANK TO PAY £2,550?

BANKRUPT CLERK'S SHARE OF PROVIDENT FUND.

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The possibility of the Hong compulsion on the clerk to enter

charge of other departments at permanent. The fluctuations in the attitude of the Bank was that a fifth of the clerk's sum in the the Head Office, while our thanks the price of silver and the un- the Official Assignee could not Fund but we claim to set it off. are due also to the Managers, Ac- settled internal conditions in China compel them to pay even £500 as There is no authority, in my subcountants, Assistants and the continue seriously to restrict trade long as the clerk was in their em- mission, for that splitting. I say of Exchange and Cable Transfers local Staff at the branches and with that country. (Applause.) ploy, the £500 being the actual the Bank is a trustee of the whole Well, ladies and gentlemen, that sum contributed by the bankrupt, sum in this case. In point of . and Savings Bank accounts opened at Shanghai, where conditions re- is the Chairman's speech, and the ratio of contribution to the fact, this £510 2s. 1d. is not the before putting the first resolu- fund by the Bank and the clerk aggregate of the clerk's contribution to you I will be glad to hear being in the nature of 4-1 respections, as it is not separately ac-

tions. (A pause). If there are Mr. V. D. Knowles appeared for Bank simply took the total and .no questions it is now my pleat the creditor of the bankrupt and divided it by five." sant duty to propose: "That the Mr. C. H. Smith for the Bank. In answer to a question from his

Audited Statement of Accounts Taylor said, the Bank was extra- books in the head office of the ordinarily generous and contribut- company in Hong Kong contained ed four times the amount an em- a personal account for each clerk. ployee contributed to the Provid- It did not show the separate conent Fund and placed that amount tributions but only the total. He to his credit. The arrangement referred to a letter from the actwas that no employee of the Bank ing chief accountant of the Bank was under any pressure to contri- to the bankrupt which read: "We bute. He was not eligible to join beg to inform you that the balance the fund before he had done five standing to your credit in the acyears' service. The terms were so count of the Provident Fund on generous that practically every this date amounts to £2,550 and

> £2.040 while the bankrupt's pay- body else to hold for the benefit Taylor went on, the Bank granted acted in the character of a trustee. a loan to the bankrupt, and the His Lordship would see that it was

> forceable trust, and that the Bank was entitled to keep it in any cirhad constituted itself a trustee for cumstances. the bankrupt in respect of that If Bank Went into Liquidation. sum. He would try to show that it was a trust, and his Lordship moment that the Hong Kong Bank the trust came. The attitude of liquidator knowing nothing about tion as to when they would pay, the Hong Kong Bank would take he contended that, in the circum- there was no deficiency the liquida-

The bankrupt was still in the employ of the-Bank. There was a Mr. Taylor, but he thought they Mr. W. H. Shelford: I beg to legal way in which the creditors should not concern themselves could get the money. He did not The motion was unanimously think there was any question that strong though that might be. The the money would be paid to the only question was whether the The Chairman: The next reso- bankrupt if he was dismissed, exlution. ladies and gentlemen, is cept in circumstances where there that of the appointment of the was a defalcation. If the bank- bankrupt had would fall into the Auditors, and I would very much rupt resigned, he could also get the

the hall to propose that resolu- It was open to the Official Assignee under his statutory powers Mr. J. Mitchell: I beg to pro- to require the bankrupt to do any "That Messrs. Cooper act which was necessary for the Brothers and Company and security of his assets and the Offi-Messrs. W. A. Browne and Com- cial Assignee could certainly order the Bank, and that their remu- matter of practice that statutory

> other Banks. I hope in the future we shall see better times, and bankrupt had in the fund, which then I have no doubt the Board was only subject to a future date will make the most of their op- for payment, was one which was portunities. Will somebody se- vested in the Official Assignee. If

sure in seconding the motion.

provision could be made subject to the over-riding principle that the Court could not deprive any man of his power of earning a living unless the creditors could offer the bankrupt an equally advantageous

position elsewhere. The clerk was drawing a salary of about \$400 a month and it was a very fine salary, even for a clerk with 20 years' service, Mr. Taylor continued. He said it was a voluntary trust, as there was no

The Bank's Attitude. "The attitude of the Bank is said. We are prepared to concede counted for - in the books. The

In the present instance, Mr. Lordship, Mr. Taylor said that the clerk who was eligible to join did that is the aggregate of both con-

tributions." The bankrupt joined the bank | The fact that the Bank continuments totalled £500. In 1927, Mr. of all concerned, showed that it amount of this at the date of the almost unquestionable that the receiving order was \$5,800 Straits Bank was the trustee of the money which the bankrupt himself paid. He contended that the effect of after he had paid five per cent. of hat transaction constituted an en- his salary to it for 18 years, it

"If your Lordship assumes for a

amount." Mr. Knowles said he supported solely to the question of trust, bankrupt had a claim to the money or not, because any claim that the power of the Official Assignee.

The contract between the bankrupt and the Bank about their respective contributions to the Fund was clear. It was a continuing contract. If the Bank got a sum of money from the bankrupt, the latter had performed his share of the contract, and the Bank would then be liable to pay the extra four shares.

The present interest which the that was so then they were entitl-Mr. F. G. Jones: I have plea- ed to come to Court and obtain an order that the Bank should not The vote was unanimously ac- part with that interest except as directed by the Court. He sug-The Chairman: Mr. Gourju, gested that the order should be

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ANOTHER BARRYMORE SUCCESS.

If a big and distinguished cast and a new plot idea mean anything, "The Man I Killed" should provide excellent entertainment for patrons of the King's Theatre today. The film is based on the original French play by Maurice Rostand, 'It tells' of the post-war events in the life of a former soldier in the war-time army. The principal roles are played by Lionel Barrymore, Nancy Carroll and I hillips Holmes, Holmes' most recent 'picture was "An American] Trngedy," in which he played the role of Clyde Griffiths. Barrymore was recently awarded the annual ers during the filming of John Galsprize of the Academy of Motion worthy's "Escape," opening on Picture Sciences for his dis-Thursday at the Queen's Theatre. tinguished performance in "A Free During the first day of rehearsals Houl." Nancy Carroll was teamed for the talking picture version of with Holmes in "The Devil's Holi- the dramatic hit, a flurry of conday," and "Stolen Heaven." Others cern arose among some of the Songin the cast are Tully Marshall, players as the afternoon's work ZaSu Pitts, Lucien Littlefield, Tom proceeded without interruption. Sheridan. "The Man 4 Killed" was suggested Mabel Poulton to directed by Ernst Lubitsch, German Johnnie, "we don't do that in Holly- Violin Sologenius who made "Passion," wood." "Rosita," . "The Love Parade," and other screen successes.

PAIR OF PANTS LEADS

TO STARDOM. with George O'Brien in the Fox career handed to her on a silver outdoors romance, "A Holy Terror," platter. And then she dropped the Songs of Our Native Birds, coming next Thursday to the King's | platter. just out of Hollywood High School, come to me without effort. roles followed, each advancing her turally expected everything to turn reputation with the film loving out in my favour. I was not surpublic; "Dry Martini," "Show of prised that the test was a success, Shows." "Doughboys," "Sailor's though I admit that I was slightly Bath" and "Let Us Be Gay." More to play a small role in 'Is Zat So?', Tracy's "Moll" in "Quick Millions." just as they had started. Protunity for another personal in picture after picture, and my triumph.

Irving Cummings directed.

DEBUT IN "CHARLEY'S AUNT."

comedy characterization, "Charley's engagements. I entirely lost something solid, and I am happy. Aunt," marked the stage debut of sight of the fact that I had never But it was a narrow escape. Pat O'Brien, who plays the young had any stage experience, and that Miss Carol's latest appearance

several seasons with stock companies in Milwaukee, Grand Rapids, White Plains and 'Albany' before venturing to the New York casting offices. His work on the Broadway stage included roles in "Up and Up," "Adrienne" and "Overture," after which he went to Hollywood to score a personal hit as the reporter in "The Front Page." O'Brien was born in Milwaukee, Wis. His extra-curricular activities at Marquette were not confined to dramatics, for he was also a member of the university's first string football squad.

AMERICAN METHODS UPSET American picture production methods upset the habits of a lifetime for a number of English play-Douglas, Emma Dunn, and Frank "Don't you think it's time for tea?"

> SUE CAROL MAKES A CONFESSION.

Sue Carol, Society debutante and daughter of wealthy Chicago Sally Eilers, who is co-featured parents, literally had her screen

Theatre, is thankful to a pair of "All my life," said Miss Carol repants and another girl's perverse cently, "I have done just as I want- Organ Solonature. Miss Eilers, at that time ed to, and everything seemed to had long cherished a desire for a took it all so much as a matter of Humorous Monologuescreen career. With the hope of course that I never thought of the getting some extra work she acconi- possibility of having to work for panied her friend, Carole Lombard, anything. I was just too easy. Songwho was with Mack Sennett, to the Even my trip to Hollywood which studio. It happened to be the same resulted in my first work in motion day that Sennett was looking for a pictures was the result of a sudden Orchestralnew ingenue, because a featured whim. I had no sooner arrived player had walked out on him fol-lia the film capital than I met Nick lowing an argument over her wear- Stuart-and I was glad that I had ing a pair of pants as called for come. He and the casting direcby the script in a particular scene, tor of a motion picture studio Organ Solo-Scanett saw Miss Eilers, gave her urged me to take a film test, and a screen test and then offered her I agreed to do it the next day. I a contract and the part the recal- had no desire to enter motion piccitrant actress had been scheduled tures, but I thought that it might to do. The part was in "The Good- be a sort of a lark to take the bye Kiss" and proved that Sennett screen test. Not because I was knew his potential stars. Other conceited, but just because I na-

Holiday," "Parlour, Bedroom And flabbergasted when they asked me recently she went to the Fox which was just about to start. studies to enact the role of Spencer From that point, things continued Her performance won her a long ducers, besieged me with offers of term contract with that organiza- engagements, and I was offered tion and the lead in "The Black contracts by many of the important Camel," which furnished her oppor- studios. I played leading roles

'fan' mail grew and grew. To me In the supporting cast of "A Holy these things seemed entirely na-Terror" are Rita La Roy, Humphrey tural, since all through my life I I launched into an extended course Bogart and James Kirkwood, had been accustomed to getting of voice culture; I began to study PAT O'BRIEN MADE HIS STAGE the talking pictures. Still I didn't attain now will be really mine. That internationally known gained though I wasn't getting any ladder. My feet are again on

promoter in "Flying High," now at I could neither sing nor dance, is in the leading feminine role of the Queen's Theatre. O'Brien's Other screen players were hasten- "Graft," Universal's stirring newssuccess in the leading role of a ing to teachers but I just didn't paper drama which comes to the Marquette University amateur pro- that's all. One day I suddenly Central Theatre to-day, with a cast duction of the stage favourite em- realized that if I did not work which also includes Regis Toomey, boldened him to make overtures to strenuously for a place in talking Dorothy Revier. Boris Karloff, stock company managers. How pictures, I would not be in pictures. Richard Tucker and Carmelita successful his efforts were may be at all. I immediately made up Garaghty. W. Christy Cabanne plied by Messrs. Tsang Fook Piano times. seen by the fact that he spent my mind to go to work and I did. directed the picture.

I'U-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

6-8 p.m .- European Programme f Victor Records. 6-6.18 p.m.—Operatic. Trovatore-

Selection (Verdi),

Creatore's Band 35778. Pagliacci— Selection (Leoncavallo),

6.18-6.50 p.m.-A Concert. Piano Solo-Prelude in D. Flat (Chopin),

Ignace Jan Paderewski 6847 Swiss Echo Song (Eckert), Marion Talley (Soprano) 6593.

Violin Solo-Oriental Romance (Rimsky-Korsakow), Fritz Kreisler 1209.

Song-The Auld Scotch Sangs (Bethune-Lesson), John McCormack (Tenor)

Impromptu in A Flat

. (Schubert), Etude in E-Major (Chopin),

Comin's Tho' the Rye (Old Scotch Air),

1146. Rose in the Bud (Forster),

Song-The Little Silver Ring (Chaminade),

1303. 6.50-7.25 p.m.—Variety.

Singer) 35785. Call Me Darling,

Jesse Crawford 22901. The Trick Boys, Marshall Cole 22305.

Gambling Polka Dot Blues, Jimmie Rodgers 23636 My Sunshine is You,

Goodnight, Sweetheart,

Jack Hylton & His Orchestria

Rhapsody in Blue, Jesse Crawford 22343. 8 p.m.—Locla Time.

36048.

Henry VIII (Saint Saens)-(a) Introduction and Entrance of the Clans,

-(b)-Scotch Idyl, (c) Dance of The Gypsy, (d) Jig and Finale,

Played by Damrosch and the National Sym. Orchestra 7292/3. Salome's Dance (Richard Strauss), Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Orchestra

7259/7260. Japanese Nocturne (Eichheim), Leopold Stokowski and the Orchestra Philadelphia

7 p.m.-Local Time. 8.3-11.30 p.m.—Relay from the (Continued at foot of next column.)

what I wanted, and totally without singing. For the first time in effort on my part. Then came my life I worked. What success I sec any reason for making extra And now I feel that I am regaining effort to retain the place I had my former place on the screen jokes. Her hands, still in place won me over.

CLARE'S WONDER SHOW.

Something Out of the Ordinary in Vaudeville.

WOMAN "GUILLOTINED" -PORKERS' SNOUT BOUTS -MIND READING.

Creatore's Band 35791. Something unusual, something sensational in the vaudeville line comes to the King's Theatre on Thursday, in conjunction with a picture programme featuring George O'Brien in "A

> On Thursday, F. A. Clare's Wonder Show from America will make its first bow to Hong Kong cinema-goers. They are booked for a short season only, but throughout the rest of this week will entertain at every one of the King's regular performances. p.m.

The members of this Show are vaudeville artistes of high ability, but first mention must be hold furniture, 2.30 p.m. made of chic Miss Marjorie Lou. She provides the big thrill. An extraordinary girl is Marjorie, via Suez (Chitral). Ignace Jan Paderewski 6628. who will be introduced by Prof. Carl Martin, the "bloodless executioner."

During the Show's stay at the Marion Talley (Soprano) King's, pretty Marjorie will face death at a guillotine, under a and hey, presto! Marjorie steps 300-pound knife, at each per- out from behind the guillotine formance — four times a day — with her head back on her Renee Chemet 1132. and yet she does not lose any of shoulder. her beauty: sleep over it. To her getting her head chopped Another attractive turn offeroff is like chocolate eating to ed by the Show is that of Miss John McCormack, (Tenor) other girls, and Marjorie can hold Van Camp and her troupe of

A Startling Illusion.

other day, and she doesn't strug- dance the Charleston. gle. Calmly she goes on her knees to the guillotine and places Two pugnacious looking memher (Prof. Martin calls it dirty, bers of this piggie gang are but I prefer the word dainty) named Dempsey and Heeny, and neck on the block, and her hands like their namesakes know everyknife comes down with a bang bout in a miniature ring with



Miss Marjorie Lou's head balanced on the edge of a sword after it had been "severed" at the guillotine.

magic cloth and balances it on minute of the day, and the best the edge of a sword pierced part of the night, too, when I'm through the arms of a chair on not asleep. But when she told the other side of the stage. me that my "coffin nail" was a Here Marjorie's head comes to Chesterfield, and that I smoke

Ko Shing Theatre. II.30 p.m.—Close Down.

COMING EVENTS ADVERTISED IN CHINA MAIL.

Social Functions. To-day—Tea Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and King's Restaurant; Dinner Dances at Hong Kong, and Peninsula Hotels and King's Restaurant.

Entertainments. To-day - King's Theatre; "The Man' I Killed." To-day - Queen's Theatre; "Flying High." To - day - Central

"Graft." To-day - Majestic Theatse. "The Texan." To - day - Star Theatre:

"Lottery Bride." To-morrow-Schneider Trio Recital at Helena May Institute, 9.20

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her own in that line too, only you trained pigs - six young porkcan't expect people to pay to see ers, two with beautiful spotted you eat chocolates, so that is not marking like dogs: These pigs Charles Kellogg (The Nature a part of Marjorie's turn on the are very intelligent and answer readily to their names. They do all sorts of tricks such as ring I saw Marjorie go to her bells, shoot guns, open and shut slaughter as meek as a lamb the latched gates, shake hands, and

Snouting Bout.

through two openings at the bot- thing that is worth knowing in tom of the frame. She is secur- the fist slinging game, only they ed in this position, and then a use their snouts instead. They lever is pulled and the cruel give a very exciting three round and Marjorie's head hangs limp. Miss Van Camp as Ref.—and how they do sock each other! In a little 2-round work-out I saw, they were both knocked out of the ring in turn, and like true stout-hearted fighters scrambled back through the ropes for more back through the ropes for more So, you may expect real thrills when they touch snouts in an honest-to-goodness scrap which is advertised as "for a knock out, or no decision."

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audience what he or she is holding in the hand, tells one's birth date, nationality, or anything else one wants to know.

The other day she told me that was holding a cigarette in my hand. Well, that's easy Prof. Martin takes it up in a enough, because I hold one every life again and it smiles and them because they satisfy, she

at the guillotine, saveral feet Then last, but by no means away, wave to the audience least, there is "Mysto," the at the command of the head—a sharp 'un, who will keep you very startling illusion! Then, guessing all the time he occupies Prof. Martin wraps up the head; the stage. Altogether very fine again, it turns into a cabbage, entertainment which alone is worth the price of admission, so that you see George O'Brien in "A Holy Terror" for nothing, All records in the above Euro- and it is seldom one gets somepean Programme are kindly sup- thing for nothing these hard

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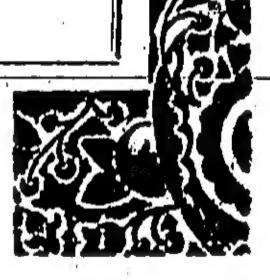
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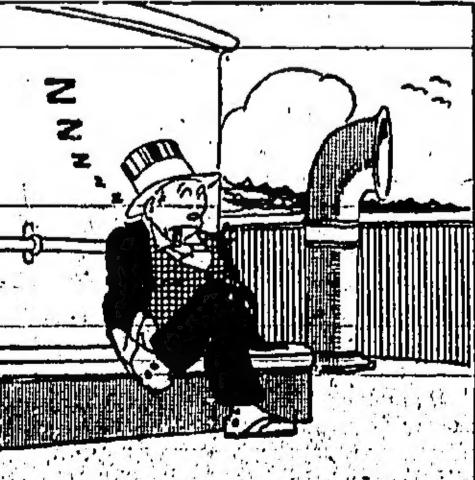
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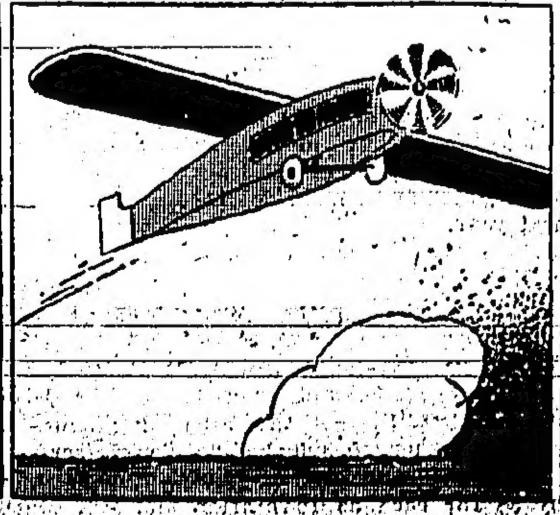
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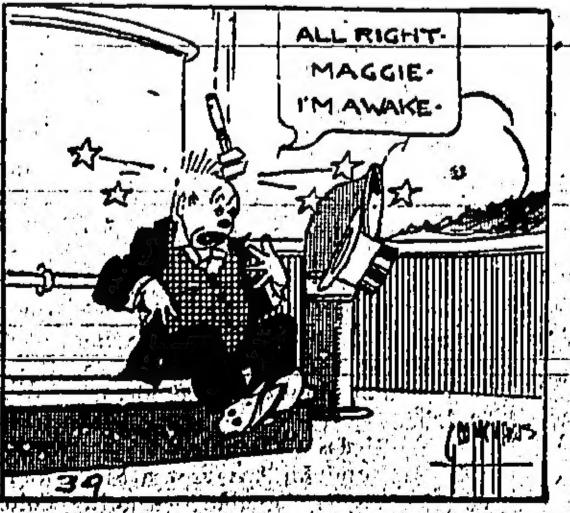
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RUMJAHN COUSINS AGAIN WIN.

Eighth Title Won After Gruelling Five Set Encounter

PLUCKY CHALLENGERS.

(By "Base Line.")

For the eighth year in succession H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn have won the Open Doubles Championship of the Colony. Yesterday they defeated E. C. Fincher and L. Goldman by 6-4, 4-6, 1-6, 6-1, 6-1, after causing their supporters some anxiety in the earlier part of the match.

The challengers played well above the form they displayed in the earlier rounds, but after having gained a definite advantage at the conclusion of the third set, they cracked up badly and from then onwards the issue was never in doubt. It was a game which produced far too many careless mistakes on both sides, though both sides had their inspired spells. Taking the match all-round, however, it was a very fitting conclusion to a most successful tournament.

DOUBLE FAULTS.

combination, E. C. Fincher and L. ships—on two occasions—in 1927 Goldman, led by two sets to one and 1932. Only one other player and held the first game of the can claim a better record than fourth set, before the Rumjahn this. Ng Sze-kwong accomplished cousins came into their own. It the "double" in 1918, 1919, 1922 was a glorious opportunity which and 1923.

ed upon. Two smashes at the net cord of the Rumjahn cousins' ner. which Goldman put out of the triumphs:court and into the net proved the 1925 beat Capt. C. H. D. O'Calturning point of the match. That was in the third game of the all- 1926 best Major Pratt and Major important fourth set.

their moment had come and so well did they play that only two 1928 beat H. R. B. Hancock and games were conceded in the remaining two sets. If Goldman had 1929 beat J. S. McEachran and L. only killed one of those smashes things might have been different; 1930 both the challengers were keyed-up to fever pitch and with the match 1931 beat C. A. L. Rumjahn and within their grasp they might quite easily have risen to great 1932 beat E. C. Fincher and L. heights; but those two missed smashes cost them the match.

Fincher Attacked. Fincher. I would not exactly say "Smiler" Rumjahn again win the that he carried Fincher, though championship, he was sorry to see the latter rarely displayed the form which won him the right to contest the singles final. He was steadier in his stroke production, and his lobbing tactics were welljudged, but his overhead work was not as deadly as it might have been. Goldman was by no means perfect. He was too careless with some of his strokes, but he fully dispelled all doubts as to whether he was going to be the passenger. In fact, so well did he play that the Rumjahn attack was concentrated on Fincher and for long spells on end Goldman was not allowed to enter into the game.

H. D.'s Influence. H. D. Rumjahn was the outstanding player on the court, and it was due to his steadiness and generalship that the Indian pair pulled the game out of the fire. "S. A." was a little wild in some of his hitting, but his overhead again showed signs of continual practice. His service was not, however, as sound as one would expect of a champion. He mus have given at least eight double faults during the course of the match. Fincher, also, was not too sure of his second service, and Goldman fell by the wayside once or twice. No matter how soft the second service may be, it is always better than a gift point.

Remarkable Record. Yesterday's victory gave H. D Rumjahn his ninth success in the Doubles Championship, as in 1924, when partnered by O. Rumjahn, he won his first title at the expense of Ng Sze-kwong and C. Choa. Then followed his run of succousin Sirdar Rumjahn:

Goldman has now appeared in ter next year. two finals. In 1929, partnered by

Sirdar's "Double." S. A. Rumjahn has now achiev- won the Championship of the Runners-up: H. Owen Hughes ed the tennis "double" winning Colony as far back as 1917 after and Mrs. Martell Hall (owe 80)

The much-discussed doubles the Singles and Doubles Champion

unfortunately could not be improv- The following is a complete re-

laghan and G. R. Growler. W. B. Stevenson. The Rumjahns realised that 1927 beat T. Honda and T. Akiyama.

Dr. R. E. Tottenham. Goldman. beat Paul Kong and Ho Ka-

· J. A. E. Cassumbhoy. Goldman.

"Dick" Hancock's Speech. At the conclusion of the match It was a great pity that Goldman Mr. H. R. B. Hancock, the President beat W. K. Choa and P. T. was concerned in both incidents, of the Hong Kong Cricket Club, as he had shown brilliant form at gave a short speech in which he different stages of the game, and congratulated the winners on their had even convinced some of the success. He said that, although spectators that he was carrying everyone was delighted to see

Our Sports Diary.

TO-DAY. HOCKEY-Y.M.C.A. v. Radio. TENNIS-G. Bodiker v. S. A. Rumjahn; G. Bodiker and Leung Tak-kwong v. L. Goldman and E. C. Fincher. TO-MORROW.

FOOTBALL - Third Division-R.A.F. v. Borderers. TENNIS-Leung Tak-kwong v. M. W. Lo; G. Bodiker and E. C. Fincher v. H. D. and S. A. Rum-

THURSDAY.
ATHLETICS—Hong Kong Area Meeting at Sockunpoo (First

FRIDAY. ATHLETICS-Hong Kong Area Meeting at Sookunpoo (Final

SATURDAY. CRICKET-Interport Trial at RACING-Fourth Extra Race

sive attempt on the championship, presented with a bouquet of and wished him every success in flowers in a silver holder entwinhis venture next year. "Smiler," ed with the colours of the Hong he added, had competed in the Kong Cricket Club. tournament since he was a boy of 16, and this year he had recorded his second success, after having reached the semi-final round on ten occasions.

Speaking of the doubles champions, Mr. Hancock said that they had already carried off two large cups for "keeps," but the cups now S. A. Rumjahn. open to competition, fortunately for the Hong Kong C.C. the donors, L. Goldman. were only to be held for a period of one year. The losers, he cesses in partnership with his thought would gain much from their encounter and should do bet-

S. E. Green's Versatility, J. S. McEachran, he was within Mr. Hancock, when speaking on an ace of winning the title and the Club Championships, drew probably would have done so had special attention to the success of not McEachran cracked up badly S. E. Green in the Handicap Singles 4/6). in the final stages of that historic "A". This player, he said, showed remarkable versatility at the pre- j Winners .- J. G. Lecky and Mrs. sent moment when considering he Lecky (ser.).

SOCCER AT VALLEY TO-MORROW.

P.W.D. v. Sanitary Dept. in Annual Match.

The annual soccer match between the P.W.D. and Sanitary Department will take place on the H.K.F.C. ground, Happy Valley, to-morrow at 5 p.m.

This will be the sixth meeting of the two Departments and the P.W.D. team will probably be composed of the following:

Wood; Buttress, Lawrence, Mc-Bride, Richardson, K. S. Robertson; H. Braga, Hill, Spary, Moore, and Bebbington.

It is hoped that as many as possible of the supporters of the two Departments will turn up to give their encouragement; -- especially as admission to the match is free!

POLICE HOCKEY ELEVEN.

For Mamak Shield Encounter.

The following have been selected to play for the Police against the C.B.A. in a Mamak Hockey Tournament match on Friday, at Caroline Hill, at 5.15 p.m. sharp.—Moss; Blackburn, Khuski Mohammed; Tate, Dowman, Thorpe; C. Pile, Harris, Rulia Khan, Perkins and Allen. Reserves-Billingham, Jen-

INTER-FACULTY TENNIS.

Medical Beat Arts Yesterday.

In a tennis encounter on the University Pavilion ground yesterday the Medical faculty defeated the Arts faculty by seven sets to two. Full results were as follows: Medical pairs are mentioned first: . F. Y. Khoo and T. K. Lien:beat C. E. R. Clarabutt and F. Zimmern 6-3

lost to Y. F. Chew and D. J. N. Anderson (capt.) 5-7|2

G. E. Yech and Y. K. Ng (capbeat C. E. R. Clarabutt and F. Zimmern

beat W. K. Choa and P. T. Kho 6- 2 lost to Y. F. Chew and D. J. N. Anderson (capt.)

Prof. L. T. Ride and H. N. Lee:--beat C. E. R. Clarabutt and F. Zimmern best W. K. Chos and P. T. Kho beat Y. F. Chew and D. J. N. Anderson (capt.)

a series of three successive vic-

Mr. Hancock complimented the tennis authorities of the Hong Kong C.C. for the way in which they had handled the tournament, and said that, although the drop in entries this year had been negligible, the championships had been concluded three weeks earlier this

At the conclusion of his brief speech Miss Hancock distributed Fincher lose after his third succes- the trophies after which she was

PRIZE WINNERS,

Open Singles. Winner:-S. A. Rumjahn. Runner-up;-E. C. Fincher. Open Doubles.

Winners:-H. D. Rumjahn and Runners-up:-E. C. Fincher and

Club Championship. Winner:-- L. Goldman. Runner-up:-A. L. Sullivan. Handicap Doubles "A". Winner:-S. E. Green (owe 15) Runner-up:-H. F. Foley (scr.)

Handicap Singles "B". Winner: -- C. C. Clarke (scr.). Runner-up:--J. V. Jensen (rec.

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Cold Steel and Hard Facts in Golf.

By Charles Ambrose

ten in lately, asking questions about not suffer; or conversely his irons guilty" to a charge of manslaughsteel shafts. "I have been playing may all be steel-shafted and his ter... golf, roughly, for two years," "woodens" wood all through. But writes one, "and I have reached if he takes a hickory-shafted iron charge occurred on February 17, in that period when I should like to for one shot, and a steel-shafted Waterloo Road, when it is alleged, make a few alterations to my iron iron for the next; and "gets away Le Ts'uen, was killed by clubs.... I like the 'feel' of a steel- with it," then I doff my hat to him! Chevrolet car which accused was shafted driver that I use, but what There is something so different driving. I want to know is, do iron clubs about the way a thin steel shaft! The following jury was empanellfitted with steel shafts give one a cuts through the air, after hickory, ed.—Mr. B. C. Field (Foreman), jarring sensation if one does not that a golfer can hardly hope to and Messrs. C. Tetzel, C. R. Wilson, parring sensation it one does not avoid being disturbed by it, even if S. Jex, H. Hyndman, R. Abraham that by an agreement between the has been a lot of controversy over the lack of resistance in coming and Lo Yuk-tong. this matter, and it has left me through the air does not actually Mr. R. E. Lindsell is for the rather confused."

before deciding to golf for you, vesting in a complete and graded have been greatly assisted in pre- entering his body.

rather perplexing problem."

Charles Ambrose in the Morning instances. steel shafts, which, of course, came my saying that he is past the first red. The case will be continued in from America, I urged our own blush of youth. He complained that the afternoon. authorities to permit their use in he was "losing length from the tee" authorities to permit their before steel shafts came in. Now OPENING CLASSROOM golfer the widest possible freedom he declares that steel shafts have in the choice of implements; and given his game a new lease of life. even since they were allowed here- He sweeps the ball away without over a year ago now-I have coun- pressing, and so extracts the maxiselled each and every golfer to give mum value from the springy steel them a fair trial and to work out with the minimum of exertion. his own salvation from the result. Jones's Choice.

steel shaft is obviously likely long | Hartley's. to outlast hickory.

tions, however, must be set the stick to it. If you have a nice, treatise on The Teacher, insisted on fact that a "sweet" hickory shaft even swing, steel, again, will pro- the teacher's knowledge of the is a very much pleasanter thing to bably fill your bill. But if you are mental processes, the functions of play with than cold steel. Have any a hitter, and your ambition is to the senses, emotions, feelings to of my readers ever handled a steel loutdrive Tolley, then you are likely assist the pupil in the unfolding of lawn-tennis racquet? It weighs to get along better with a good stout his young powers, for learning is the same as its wooden brother, hickory shaft-if you can get it- growth in self-activity." and it does . Its work all than with anything else. right, but it neither looks nor feels

quite the same. bat. How much sweeter is a drive a thing apart, usually picked up would open the windows! It is with a bat, with "plenty of wood from somebody who gave it away just here that a woman has often in it" in the right place, than with because he had "no use for the come to the rescue to make us a lean, hard, unsympathetic thing darned thing," and it may be made realise that when an idea, whether otherwise identical in shape, of anything. As for irons, if you political or religious, goes down cricket but might, or might hickory friends, do not throw them of a woman, and becomes a sentinot, yield the same results, away. Sooner or later they will but it would certainly never give the break and then it will be time __its power to resist all opposition same pleasure; and so far as all enough to experiment with steel. these considerations take me, it would appear that while economy have upon any particular indivipoints to steel shafts, the golfing dual's game, who can tell? I am

as long as he can get it. Different Timing. Another aspect of this many- way, I have omitted to answer my sided question is this: Within my first questioner's query as to steel own experience it is extremely diffi- shafts "jarring the hands." All cult to intermix "hickory" iron- can say is that I have missed many shots with "steel" iron-shots. A iron-shots with steel-shafted clubs player may have steel-shafted in my time without noticing anydrivers, brassies, and spoons, and all thing of the kind.

Another golfer seeking informa- with the ball long before he is ready junior, instructed by Mr. F. C. tion writes: "Now that steel shafts for it. I would, therefore, solemnly Rendall, of Messrs, Russ & Co., i

referred to if your golf correspon- for this is, I think, that the higher Bouchier, the case being then addent would give us one or more resiliency of steel enables the elder journed until to-day.

Storey's Story. cause the purveyors of hickory | He says that in the old days, before educative reform.

Against these material considera- clderly gentleman, take to steel and century St. Thomas Aquinas, in a

What effect such experiment may is increased a hundredfold.

epicure will still prefer good wood afraid I cannot, but the local professional ought to be able to assist in arriving at a conclusion. By the

FLOTILLA.

Farewell Dance at Lane, Crawford's.

morrow we sail," seemed to be the motto of the Ships Company of H.M.S. Medway and the Submarine There was a splendid muster of Kong in the Autumn. "Look what our children are play- "playing gangsters."

and a good attendance of ladies, poet Lucretius had written oi although the latter were, of course, them:

in a minority. The Medway's Dance Band played splendidly throughout, were generous with encores and, altogether, a very happy time was

The attendance was somewhat diminished, possibly due to the doubt as to whether the Dance Flotilla, judging by the atmos- would be held, but the floor was days, but Chicago has not forgotten this," he asked. phere at Lane, Crawford's last comfortably crowded, and the its gangster past, says Reuter. The court promised to try, and in night, when the Farewell Dance, Dance was undoubtedly a success. George Katsman strode into the a short time a section in the munit delayed by the strictures, against The Medway Dance Committee police station with what appeared to cipal code was found prohibiting the Service men attending public func- promise further similar dances on be a machine gun, the type that has sale of toys without a licence. tions, was held at that hall. the return of the Flotilla to Hong long been a favourite of gangland. So now boys are discouraged from

MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE.

Lorry Driver Pleads "Not Guilty."

Appearing before the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Wood) at the Criminal Sessions yesterday afterncon, Wong Kam-leung, a licensed Several correspondents have writ- his irons shafted with hickory, and motor lorry driver, pleaded "not

The incident leading up to the

bring the club-head into confact Crown, while Mr. Leo d'Almada,

mid-nandicap goners of moderate wooden irons, or vice versa, if they and explained how, in overtaking per yard, and the defendants at means would welcome some definite suit you so; but to mix up your another vehicle, the lorry, driven \$4.85 per yard. to the discovered merits irons or your "woodens" will by the accused, came into contact coolies. The victim's death was sold the fancy suitings at \$4.70 per

Yet a really hard hitter may ac- cused's statement was read by a of \$4.80 per yard. Evidently somebody has been tually lose distance with steel. Police interpreter, after which puzzling the poor golfer. For my Perhaps this apparent paradox can evidence was given by two coolies Mr. de Montmorency will forgive steering when the accident occur-

WINDOWS.

Fr. Byrne's Lecture.

A large gathering of University such an agreement. Further, the Now turn to the case of two Education Society members listen- defendants deny that the plaintiffs slashing young internationals—ed last evening to an informative had suffered any damages. To a limited extent only is it Eustace Storey and Rex Hartley. address by the Rev. Fr. G. Byrne, Mr. F. C. Jenkin, K.C. (instructpossible to generalise on the subject. Storey has only one steel-shafted S.J., on the subject of Dr. ed by Messrs. Wilkinson & Grist) Bobby Jones sticks to hickory be- club in his bag, and that is a spoon. Montessori's pioneer work in appeared for Messrs. P. M. Pinguet

But the average hickory shaft is tee. Then steel came in. Hartley discover the pioneer in the realm Johnson, Stokes & Master). definitely inferior to the average took to steel, Storey stuck to wood, of execution than in the realm of steel shaft so that the average play- and now Storey declares that when thought. There were few ideas in er would on that account be well they both really hit their drives he the educational world, which we advised to prefer steel. The price (Storey) looks to find his ball were inclined to call modern, that is about the same, but the life of a twenty years ahead of Rex had not been enunciated long ago. We talked about self-activity as if To sum np: If you are an it was a new idea, but in the 13th somehow, to-day, when we enter So much for drivers and brasses, classrooms, we find them heavy A spoon is rather a betwixt-and- with the hot air of theory and we Take, again, the case of a cricket | betewen individual sort of a club-wish that some practical teacher weight? A steel have got two or three trusty old from the mind of man to the heart ment-thought inspired by feeling and to triumph over every difficulty,

Not the least among the many women, who have opened classroom windows for the sunshine of happiness to stream into them and the ight of common sense to brighten them, was the Lady Doctor Maria Montessori. One would hardly say that she was a pioneer in educational theories. She went out of her way to acknowledge her debt to Seguin. She did not know how deeply indebted Seguin was t Pereira (1715-1780), in spite of Seguin's writings. Pereira's work FOURTH SUBMARINE Officers and men, including some was devoted to deaf-mutes, who

> "To instruct the deaf no art 'could ever reach, No care improve them, and no wisdom teach."

FOREIGN FIRMS IN DISPUTE.

Over Sale of Fancy Suitings from Paris.

BREACH OF AGREEMENT?

A dispute over an agreement for the sale of funcy suitings from Paris was aired before the Chief Justice (Sir Joseph H. Kemp, K.C.) in the Supreme Court this morning.

The plaintiffs in the action are Messrs. P. M. Pinguet & Co., of 5, Queen's Road Central, who are suing the Compagnie Optorg, of Shanghai, for damages for breach of contract concerning the price of the fancy suitings.

Plaintiffs Claim.

In their claim the plaintiffs allege dependent sale by the parties to local dealers of a specified quality of fancy suitings manufactured by, is and to be independently ordered by have been more or less in general warn all inexperienced golfers detending.

use for a considerable time, many against this particular danger. By Opening the case for the Crown, Paris, it was agreed that the plainuse for a considerable time, many against this particular danger, and Mr. Lindsell, outlined the accident, tiff's should sell at the price of \$4.80 mid-handleap golfers of moderate all means have steel drivers and explained how in questions tiff's should sell at the price of \$4.80

The defendants, it is alleged, to the discovered metric seriously complicate the game of with a hand-truck manned by in breach of the said agreement, sharts before deciding to Elderly golfers of the first class caused by the shaft of the truck yard, so that the plaintiffs suffered abandon hickory for steel and investing in a complete and graded serving their game by the introducture Evidence was given by Mr. Lamb, sell 20,700 yards at a higher price set. I feel sure it would be much tion of steel shafts. The reason, Inspector Vincent and Mr. H. C. than \$4.65 per yard. But for the appreciated by the class of golfer tion of steel shafts. The reason, Inspector Vincent and Mr. H. C. than \$4.65 per yard. But for the ent; it is claimed, the plaintiffs dent would give us one or to get distance with less effort. At this morning's hearing, accould have sold at the agreed price

Loss of \$3,105.

Damages to the amount of \$3,105 puzzing the poor soller. best be explained by giving living who were pulling the ropes of the are claimed by the plaintiffs, being own part I plead "not guilty," says best be explained by giving living who were pulling the ropes of the are claimed by the plaintiffs, being price of \$4.80 and the price of \$4.65 per yard at which the plaintiffs had to sell, thus sustaining loss to the amount claimed.

In their statement of defence, the defendants deny that the agreement alleged by the plaintiffs was made between the parties. Alternately, the defendants claim that if any agreement had been made there was no consideration for

& Co., while the Compagnie Optorg shafts are only too proud to supply steel shafts were legalised. Hartley In the course of his talk, Fr. were represented by Mr. Eldon Pothim with their very best "sticks." generally outdrove him from the Byrne said that it was easier to ter, K.C. (instructed by Messrs.

MARKET.

Lifeless and Dull.

The official summary issued by Stock. Exchange to-day

The fall in the sterling value of the dollar failed to act as an incentive towards more liveliness in the market, and conditions this morning were still on the dull side.

. Sales. Hong Kong Banks, \$1,550. Union Insurances, \$470. Ewos Cottons, Tls. 151/4/15.15. Hong Kong Trams, \$21.85/21.90. Hong Kong Electrics, \$74. Constructions (new), \$1.85. Govt. Loans, 4 per cent. Fremium. Buyers.

Hong Kong Banks, \$1,540. Union Insurances, \$465. Douglases, \$26. Benguets, \$141/2. Wharves, \$1431/2. Providents (new), \$21/4. Chinese Estates \$951/4. Benguet Explorations, 29 cents. Hong Kong Trams, \$21%. Yaumati Ferries, \$35%. China Lights (old), 201/2-Macao Electrics, \$241/2. Cements (combined), \$1814. Lane, Crawford's (old), \$5.60. Amusements; \$221/2. Constructions (new), \$1.80. Goct. Loans, 3%%, Premium.

Sellers. S. C. Enterprises, \$10. Constructions (old), \$5.60.

ing with nowadays," he said. The toy his son had brought home not only looked like a machine gun, but it also sounded like one, with a clockwork arrangement in the cartridge drum emitting a typewriter staccato when the trigger was

Gang, guns are quieter in these Cannot something be done about



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BISHOP. TALKS ON GAMBLING.

If Bishops Ran Sweepstakes!

on gambling and the element of wo ld be that in the long run the chance were made by the Bishop | people who played together would of Hull in an address to members of the Leeds Luncheon

"Quoting the definition of gambling as the determination of the people asked where the line was to be drawn, but he was not troubled about that. One could

not say exactly where an egg ceased to be a good egg, and became a bad egg, but for all practical purposes one knew which kind of egg one was going to eat, and which one was going to throw.

"Whist and bridge, he held, were games of skill, in that two good players would win against two inplayers; but, in fact, inferior players would go on for long

Some entertaining observations ing two skilled players money, and what would happen be approximately of the same skill. the element of chance would become more dominant, and, therefore, on the whole, he thought he would hold bridge-playing for

money as gambling. horses, the Bishop said he could tion for their

notice on a particular day of the condition of the ground; whether it was hard or soft, and would suit his horse. But he thought he was right in saying that those conditions were not normal.

"Describing himself as an "intuitionist," Bishop Heywood said it was not at all easy to say that anything was wrong, but there was such a thing as intuition. Supposing the Archbishop of York was to organise a sweepstake on the Derby among the Bishops of the Northern Province, he said, "I feel quite confident that a great many people would think it was rather a doubtful thing for him to do. But why should not we go in for a Sweepstake as well as anybody

"With regard to betting on had any respect and affecpeal-to-chance, Bishop Heywood," imagine circumstances in which it help to check the mania a reports the Yorkshire Post, said might not be regarded as gambling that seemed to be spreading over -if the stable always ran the best the world, Bishop Heywood said he herse to win and the jockey siways believed it was a good thing for that rode to win, and the backer follow- Church to discourage gambling in ed the form of the horses, and took any form."

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Hong Kong, Tuesday, April 19, 1932

Budgets.

chequer 'to-day walks or drives realized in' the previous year. along Whitehall to the Houses of is rather more the exception than Parliament, the little black bag or the rule that once a tax has been attache case, which he may be seen imposed it is ever taken off. Chanto be carrying, will be the cynosure cellors usually find reasons for reof many eyes and the subject of taining the tax, in spite of large speculation 23 to what species of surpluses over expenditure. cats are in the bag. Or, to change House of Commons debates the metaphor, when Pandora's Box statements presented and, in is opened, what harpies will be course, passes as the Finance Act loosed to alight and feed upon the the final budget estimate for the British taylayer, or, again, will year. By amendments any of the robins and nightingales be released figures may be reduced but not into make the world for the British creased. taxpayer a happier place in which

to live in 1932? ing for certain what surprises, come of outstanding importance pleasant or otherwise, the Chan- for one reason or another. For cellor has in store to-day, for example, in the Autumn of 1852 Budget secrets are exceedingly Disraeli introduced a Budget therefore indulge in speculations as Budget, owing to the ratification of to the contents of the Budget. a commercial treaty with France. of to-day's secrets. speculate now and at this distance change of administration, from the seat and heart of the Budget was not introduced until Empire upon Mr. Neville Chamber- July, while in 1880 there were two lain's jealously kept secrets. must content ourselves, then, with under Disraeli's administration, and such speculations as Reuter has the other in June, under Gladstone's lieved in circles where such gossip every year. is indulged in to-day, that there may be a tax on rubber and the imposition of a duty on tex with a preference for Empire teas. And that there is not likely to be a reduction of income tax, except for niversary of the death of one of some slight relief for married men England's greatest Prime Ministhrough adjustments in allowances, ters, Benjamin Disraeli, also That, then, is how matters must known and revered in history as stand for the present. But we Lord Beaconsfield. The memory shall now preceded to write about of this great Tory or Conservative

Budgets in general in and, in the course of time, came to and the name has also been besbe applied to an account of the towed upon an organisation ways and means by which the in- spreading Conservative principles come and expenditure for a definite amongst the British democracyperiod are to be balanced. The The Primrose League. The printerm first came into use in England ciples of the League are best exabout 1760. The Budget is the plained in the declaration which statement, of the actual results of every member is asked to sign: revenue and expenditure in the past finance year, showing how far estimates have been realised, and what surplus or deficit there has been in the income as compared with the expenditure. It is accompanied by another statement in which is given an estimate of what the pro-Thice of the revenue may be in the Trear just entered upon supposing the taxes and duties to remain as they were in the past year, and also fan estimate of what the expenditive

position of some new, or the increase of some existing, tax or estimated revenue shows a large May 2, at 10.50 a.m. surplus over the estimated expenditure; there is room for remitting or extent of this relief is generally a.m. was 72 at 4 p.m. 76. As the Chancellor of the Ex-limited to the amount of surplus

Looking back in the historica pages of the British Budget,

We shall not, which he was defeated. The 1860 To-morrow readers will be aware was introduced as early as February to commit suicide by hanging her-It is futile to in that year. In 1859, through a We Budgets, one introduced in March.

Primrose Day.

To-day is Primrose Day, the anis respected on this day and kept The word "budget" is derived evergeen. The Day is so named senger leaving Shanghai the other from a Gallic" word meaning sack after Disraeli's favourite flower,

> "I declare on my honour and faith that I will devote my best ability to the maintenance of religion, of the estates of the realm, and of the imperial ascendancy of the British Empire, and that, consistently novereign of these realing [

separate Ladies' Branch and Grand

Council. It is interesting to note that, what may be described as a Tariff Budget is being introduced to-day -Primrose Day, and being introduced by what also may be described as a Conservative Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Correspondence.

SUICIDE AN OFFENCE?

[To the Editor of "China Mail."] stances, is illegal, and is therefore, which premiums are calculated is to the dictionary.

Man is given life. He is born into Income Tax at 58. In the £ for the the world to live, and to make some year was declared. use of his life, in promoting interest in the world. Your correspondent National Debt of Japan. Suicider, is a firm believer in the survival of the fittest. Are all the unemployed, then, entitled to commit suicide?

Suicide is when a man or woma designedly destroys his or her own life. God has given us our life, and He will take it when the time Suicide is illegal. comes. Yours, etc.,

Hong Kong, April 18, 1932.

News in Brief.

An Investiture, is to be held at taxes. On the other hand, if the Government House on Monday, murdered in 1801. The rug was philanthropy which the too talka-

Lowest open air temperature reducing some tax or taxes, and the yesterday was 67. Humidity at 10

> Eight cases of small-pox, one of diphtheria (imported), and nine of that the Chinese used symbols to meningitis were notified to the authorities yesterday.

The P. & O. s.s. Chitral is due here from Singapore at noon Wednesday, April 20. She will sail by the very ancient Chinese were moments, Mr. Barff weighed a few Thursday, April 21, at 10 a.m.

The Kailan Mining Administration report that the total output of the Administration's mines for the week ending April 2, 1932, amount- Tigers Have It Out. ed to 117,697 metric tons, and the pages of the British Budget, we sales during the period to 87,415. There will be no means of know-come across certain that have be-sales during the period to 87,415.

> A Chinese woman, stated to be 70 years of age, and unable to give particulars about herself, was sent to the S.C.A. yesterday, for enquiries. She was found by Lau self from a tree at Wong Nei Chung Gap.

In the Supreme Court this morning, the Chief Justice (Sir Joseph Kemp, K.C.), admitted Mr. G. been pleased to telegraph to us, administration. It is usual for the this Colony. The application was in Whitfield on April, 11 last. reade by the Attorney General (Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C.) "Mr. Ford will practise with Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, with which firm he was articled.

on: and the second Personal Pars.

The forthcoming marriage is anneunced of Thomas Sutherland, Marine Surveyor, Penang, to Miss Margaret Eva Finch, of Tientsin.

day by aeroplane for Hankow where she was to be the guest of H.M. for Consul-General and Lady Hewlett.

23 and 24, and already the measure obtained. of support promised assures a very fine display of products from with my allegiance to my various parts of the Colony, from A. FASHION FLIGHT. the Mother Country and from the

and adelity the above objects. Airangements are being made Edmund Chaytor, who is on being those of the Primrose " whereby Individuals and firms may "fashion flight" to Australia accom! an estimate of what the expendition | Learne of the League is In- hilling of British goods. No pilot, arrived in Singapore on April estimated revenue, after allowing perion et libertan; the Beal, three tharge in being mader for reserva- 11 says the Straits Times. for normal increase of the principal sources of income, bo less than the gram containing the letters PL, the Fair funds will be welcome. Chaytor will embark on a lecture estimated expenditure this is sufrounded by primroses. It was Already there has been a good tour to make a big drive for Briusually deemed a case for the im-established in 1884 and has a response in this direction

SMALL COIN

An Annual Report.

I have received a copy of the annual report of The Employers' Liability Assurance Corporation Ltd., as presented to shareholders on March 23, 1932, in London. The total premiums for the year 1931 show a decrease of £948,914 and this is attributed mainly to effects of the worldwide depression Sir,-Your leading article on the in trade, which has entailed a large question raised at. Singapore by reduction in the volume of employ-Chief Justice Sir William Murrison ment and in the rate of wages -Should Suicide be an Offence? payable to workmen, thus seriously was most interesting. Since read-restricting the principal sources ing it I have given the subject care- from which the Corporation's inful thought, and am of the opinion come is drawn. Another factor in that suicide, under any circum- reducing the insurable values on an offence. An authority states the heavy fall in the value of comthat suicide in Christian ethics, is modities. Nevertheless, the operaillegal-it is self-murder, according tions of the year resulted in a surplus of £410,203.9.4d. and Life is an inexplicable mystery, dividend of 4s. 6d. per share, less

I read that Japan's national debt at the end of December 1931 stood at Yen 6,187,000,000, the highest committee have ruled against the figure in the history of the country. Foreign loans had decreased by over six million Yen, while domestic loans had increased by gued, it would seem on the face of Yen 238,000,000.

Historic Relic.

Arts has now in its valuable collec- to one and presumably paid them. tion a carpet of considerable his-. There does not appear to have been toric interest. It is carpet 16 by any stake against the £5 a week 26 feet, stained with the blood of for life, and so it could not be a Tsar Paul I of Russia, who was bet, but only a private piece of presented in 1782 by Louis XVI of tive bookmaker could repudiate. France to Paul, then Crown Prince.

Grave and Altar in Chinese Art. Mrs. Carter Murphy in Shanghai gave a fascinating lecture on this hai newspaper. A joker laid him a subject, a few days ago. She said | million beans to one against a express their great thoughts on life and death. Many ornaments his million beans. Possibly fearwhich had been discovered pointed [ful that the layer might get the betto their belief in a life after death. I ter of him by attempting to count She also said that the designs used out a million beans in odd spare day, somewhat similar to those discover- beans, calculated the weight of the ed_elsowhere,_and_on_this_premise_i_total,_converted_them_into-cash_atadvanced the theory that the Chinese people came originally from an advanced Western civilisation.

A rubber estate in Johore, Malaya, had been troubled by something, but not for a million. tigers for some weeks recently. A bullock, a goat and a dog was the

toll tifat had been levied, and when another bullock had been, killed, the manager decided to sit up for the beasts that were known to be in the neighbourhood. Two tigers approached the kill when the manager fired and wounded one of the two. Bot the wounded beast got away. Then, some days later, a hunt was organised and a party of shikars sat up over a kill. They had the unique sight of three tigers engaged in a fight over the kill. Shots were fired but two of the animals escaped. The third, i splendid male specimen measuring eight feet, was brought down.

A Costly Joke.

Jestingly remarking to a man who placed a half-crown on a horse at 20-1 that he would pay him £5 a week for life if the animal won (as eventually it did), a bookmaker has been held technically liable to do so. He argued that it was a joke—as undoubtedly it was—but his client thought otherwise and placed the matter before Tattersall's Committee, the final court of appeal in the sporting world. The bookmaker, but with a recommendation to mercy, so to speak. Without knowing the full facts as arit that Tattersall's ruling is somewhat severe, comments the North China Daily News. The book-The Leipzig Museum of Applied | maker offered 'twenty half-crowns

This recalls a story of the late Mr. Charlie Barff, one of the cheeriest of the old school of racing men in Shanghai, says the Shangdespised pony, who also upset calculations, and Mr. Barff insisted on the market rate, and requested a cheque for that amount, which was not small. . History records that eventually the bet was aquared for -a good dinner for a big company of kindred spirits and a cheque for beans.

CROESUS.

EXCEEDING THE SPEED-LIMIT.

EUROPEAN FINED.

Mr. C. E. Holmes, of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., was summoned before Mr. Schofield in the Central Police Court this morning, the mere in for having exceeded the speed limit Power Station and Watson Road. h would meet the present case.

Defendant denied the allegation. stating that, while he admitted hav-ing exceeded the speed limit in that area, he was travelling at 24 mlies. an hour. He complained that the danger post at the corner, being on the left side of . the road was not distinct, as motorists approaching the corner would naturally look to the right the hand side.

His Worship pointed presence of post indicated danger. However, he directed the attention of the was alleged: that, he drove at 85 put in a more conspicuous position. miles per hour when rounding a Traffic Department to have the post bend between the H.K. Electric He thought that a fine of \$15.

"CHINA MAIL" OBSERVES

- 1. That the present stumbling block in Shanghai is the time limit for the withdrawal of Japanese troops .- A little of those explosives used to blow to pieces rival forces might be used to good effect.
- 2. That the Chancellor of the Exchequer may rub it in today with a tax on rubber.
- 3. That monkeys have four feet and not four hands. So it may be said of them with truth that they are always putting their feet in it."
- 4. That the "Yard's" loss is just so many, feet:

The plan for an Empire Products Intending exhibitors are invited Fair in connection with the local to apply for reservations, to Mr. observance of Empire Day is, we J. P. Brage, Chairman of the Fair bear, being taken up with marked Sub-Committee, 1a, Chater Road, enthusiasm. The event is being from whom all particulars in conheld at the Peninsula. Hotel on May nection with the project may be

Lady Chaytor, the wife of

tish fashions.

EAG SAUCE

The ORIGINAL'S and genuine Worcestersbire

Bank's Annual Report.

The Mercantile Bank of India

Chairman's Comprehensive Survey of East and Far East

Only An Optimist Dare Prophesy of 1932

T. S. Catto. Bart., the Deputy- been a further fall in prices and of £25,000,000 last year. The re-should not require a licence and Chairman, presiding.

The Chairman, in opening the suspension of the Gold Standard by and bullion, the visible balance of allowed to accept Indian deposits o recovery. (Hear, hear).

questions that may be put to me.

place in Eastern banking.

attempt it, but there is a silver of a country depends upon the previous year but, as the ed at £52,750,000, the comparative does not look as if the Chadbourne lining to all clouds, even if we can volume and prices of its exports result of a poor demand for figures for 1930 being £82,000,000, plan to restrict the world crops of see it only dimly, and so we shall visible and invisible. go forward with courage and confidence, seared a little, perhaps, by by the experience.

the Auditors' Certificate.

The Chief Manager read the no- campaign, the boycott of British for the year being 1s. 5.27/32d. tice and the Auditors' Certificate.

goods and the closing of markets,

resulting in disturbances and dis-

CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS.

to you is as follows:-

he felt it was only fair to the Bank | beginning of the year was equival- the first place I would say that so verse balance in 1980. he should resign. I am sure you ent to about \$40,000,000 which was far as the majority report goes, will all join me in wishing him a increased to £68,000,000 in Septem-there is little or nothing to which quick restoration to health. (I ber and reduced to \$45,000,000 at we can take exception, but although would like, on behalf of all the the end of the year. But in the this report was signed by all the Directors, to join in what the last quarter of the year, and as the Committee except one, who has Chairman says in this opening result of our forced break with issued a majority report, there is

Proceedings at the Thirty-ninth world-wide depression in 1930, and 000,000 the imports have fallen by sound Indian Insurance Companies Annual General Meeting of the said that the outlook for the then £38,000,000. The imports of silver This is far from the case, as we Shareholders of this Bank, held at current year depended upon a re- were only £5,000,000 against are always ready to and do accept Winchester House, Old Broad covery in prices generally. Unfor- £9,000,000 in 1930, while instead of the policies of such companies. The Street, London, E.C., on Tuesday, tunately, not only has there been nearly £12,000,000 of gold imported proposals that, while British Banks the 22nd day of March, 1932. Sir no such recovery, but there has in that year there were net exports are to be licensed, Indian Banks

a grave world economic crisis. The sult is that, including merchandise that British Banks should not be proceedings, said: Ladies and gen- this country is the most momentous trade in favour of India last year have branches up-country are, to tlemen, I am sorry to say the Chair- event in post-war financial history, was £46,000,000 comparing with say the least, unreasonable. man is ill. He has asked me to It is true that, so far, at any rate, £34,000,000 in 1930, but this must now refer to the conditions express to you his regret that, on the depreciation of the pound has favourable result was due to re- prevailing last year in countries the advice of his doctor, he is un- not brought about any material rise duced imports of silver and the un- other than India and where we have able to be present to-day to preside in internal prices in this country, usual exports of gold. If the figures branches, but as no country has esover the meeting. I am glad, how- but this is at least partly due to the relating to merchandise alone are caped the effects of financial ever, to be able to assure you that people who, as the result of high compared the balance in favour of stringency and the loss of purhe is progressing favourably. His reduced purchasing power of our India declined from £54,000,000 in chasing power resulting from the devoted attention to the affairs of laxation, are finding it necessary to 1930 to £28,000,000 last year. On low prices ruling for primary comthe Bank is well known to you all, exercise strict economy. Any ten-the export side of the account the modities, I have nothing encouragand I am sure I am interpreting dency to an advance in sterling value of cotton declined from ing to say. your wishes in asking your permis- I ices has been offset to some extent £41,000,000 to £24,000,000. raw jute sion to send to him an expression of by a fall in gold prices. This in from £11,500,000 to £9,000,000, jute your regret at his absence and the turn has reduced the purchasing goods from £28,000,000 to £16,000, show an increase in quantity, but best wishes of us all for his speedy power of countries still on a gold 000, tea from £17,500,000 to £15,- at £15,750,000, a decline of nearly or gold exchange standard, such as 000,000 and ground nuts from £3,000,000 in value compared with I know you have come to hear the the Dutch East Indies and Siam. £8,750,000 to £7,500,000, these dif-the previous year, while the ship-Chairman deliver one of his inter- The causes and effects of the crisis ferences being accounted for chiefly ments of rubber declined from esting addresses. I am afraid you have been ably and lucidly set out by the general fall in prices. Of 75,000 tons to 62,000 tons and i will find me an inadequate sub- by the Chairmen of the "Big Five" the imports, I will only mention the value from nearly £4,000,000 stitute, but it will be my privilege and other Banks and there is not figures relating to cotton piece £1,750,000. to read his speech to you and my much left for me to say. The fall goods and yarn shipped from the

chasing power and confidence is, of fell from £14,750,000 in 1930 to where the price of rubber and time Good Ship "Mercantile Bank." | course, at the bottom of our £6,250,000 last year. Economic is of such importance, has been even Before reading the Chairman's troubles, and it is difficult to select conditions were the main cause of more acute than elsewhere, and address may I, just for a moment, the chief cause of this. I do not this, but the boycott of British heavy losses have been made. The touch on one point. I would like to think it is due to monetary causes goods partly contributed, as imports average price of rubber last year emphasise the difficulties of the or that monetary policy can control from Japan did not fall to nearly was only about 3d. per lb. against year we are reviewing. I am sure the world price level, and certainly the same extent. But it is the 51/2d in 1930, and the cofrespon- early part of the year resulted in you realise the Board and the Offi- not in the absence of wide inter-Bombay cotton mills that feel the ing prices of tin £118 and £142. a small crop of sugar and, with cials of the Bank have had an national co-operation. There are competition of Japanese goods most The net shipments of rubber, which large world stocks of this comanxious and trying time. We all those who advocate a return to bi- in spite of the fact that they are exclude imports from the Dutch modity and no recovery in the owe a tribute to the cautious policy metalism for the purpose of enlarg- protected to the extent of 25 per East Indies, were 422,000 tons cam- price, conditions in the Island have of your Directors in better years ing the basis of credit, raising cent. It is, of course, natural that pared with 442,000 tons in the pre- deteriorated further. A loan had

the good ship "Mercantile Bank" so the purchasing power of China and portant in the country and which ing say, £12,000,000 and £23,000,- pose of giving financial assistance to strong that she was able to ride the other countries. But here again a counts for so much on the Bombay 000. The shipments of tin the planters. tempest of last year in a manner wide international agreement would side of India, should feel the effects amounted to 83,600 tons, valued worthy of her traditions and her at least be necessary, and at the of the economic depression and the approximately at slightly under The Dutch East Indies also are present time particularly it would disturbances created by the Con- £10,000,000, which compares with seriously affected by the low price In these uncertain times he would be difficult, if not impossible, to gress Party. The Calcutta jute 96,800 tons £13,750,000 in the of and poor demand for sugar, a indeed be a rath man to prophesy fix a ratio between gold and silver, mills had not to face such a heavy previous year. The total value of large part of the 1931 crop still rethe future. I do not intend to while surely the purchasing power fall in the price of jute as in the all merchandise imported is enter-maining unsold, and at present it

accumulated and shorter hours of lating to exports are £46,750,000 lar measure of success. Also Java In spite of a satisfactory mon-working had to be adopted. Then and £76,000,000. These figures, I and Sumatra are suffering from the the therefore the same transfer in the transfer transfer in the transfer transfer transfer in the transfer transfer transfer in the transfer the ordeal of last year, but richer soon, India has had to bear her with a further decline from need hardly say, speak for them-low prices of rubber and tea and, share of the world-wide economic the already low price of tea the selves; showing as they do the ex- as the guilder is attached to gold, Before, I read the Chairman's depression as she depends largely Companies engaged in this industry tent to which British Malaya is feel-this means that to meet competispeech I will ask the Chief Man- upon the prices obtainable for her had a very lean year. The rupee ing the economic crisis. ager, Mr. J. Steuart. to read the agricultural products; unfortunate-fluctuated between 1s. 534d. and 1s. notice convening the meeting and ly also the depression was ac- 61/8d., which was the high point I mentioned last year the extent in local currency.

British Banks.

paragraph in regard to Mr. Robin gold, and the Rupee of cllowing unfortunately a minute of dissent son) Sterling, a marked change in the signed by six members which can The closing of our Sub-Agency at situation arose as a consequence hardly be described as fair to Bri-Khala Kral is due chiefly to a partly of the economic depression, tish Banks, considering all they change in the plans and organisa but due chiefly to the desire to take have done to foster and develop tion of the Federated Malay States advantage of the profit to be ob- Indian trade. I will confine myself, Railways and al the other business tained by selling and shipping gold however, to a few seneral remarks | of the Bank in Kelantan can be The fact that by the end of the To begin with, so far as we are

remit £19,000,000 to this side at its operations to the control of currates rising to 1s. 61/8d. Since the rency and credit, but we cannot end of the year these shipments of think that a new Indian Exchange gold have continued in large volume, Bank is required, and it would be the total since the movement start- a new and dangerous precedent for ed now amounting to about £41,000,- the Government of India to provide 000, and this has enabled the Indian the capital for such a Bank. As we Government to obtain further value the business of our Indian sterling to an amount not only suffi- customers very highly, it is perhaps cient for necessary, requirements, unnecessary for me to say that it but to pay off a large amount of would be folly on the part of Brimaturing debt. It may be said, tish Banks to discriminate against therefore, that so far as finance is such good friends in the matter of concerned, the Government of India making advances and we certainly is in a much stronger position than do so, but we are not prepared at any time in the last year or two, lock up the money of the Bank while incidentally these shipments Industrial Debentures, as it is sugof gold have been helpful in main- gested we should do, for that is not taining the value of the £ in gold good business or good banking currencies, the shipments in questiether for British or Indian Banks. tion having gone chiefly to the The suggestion that we should ap Continent, but also to America. As point Local Advisory Boards at each I have said, conditions in India are of our Branches seems not only reflected in the trade figures for unnecessary but might be opposed the past year. As compared with to the interests of many of our 1930 the exports of merchandise- Indian customers. Then there show a decline in value of £62,000, seems to be an impression that Bri-000 at £127,000,000, and at £101,- tish Banks are prejudiced against

The shipments of tea from Ceylon

duty afterwards to answer any in prices resulting in loss of pur- United Kingdom, the value of which | The depression in British Malaya, which made the financial timbers of prices and, as they say, increasing the Cotton Industry, the most im- vious year, the respective values be- to be issued recently for the pur-

their manufactured goods, stocks while the corresponding figures re-sugar is meeting with any particu-

Burma and Siam.

centuated by the civil disobedience touched in December, the average which Burma and Siam depend on the market for rice and as, until A Report Not Wholly Fair to the gold standard was suspended, while of course these compare unprices continued to fall, both suf- favourably with those of past years, couragement of trade. Of all this The report of the Central Bank-fered from this cause, in spite of I hope that, in view of the unthere is more than sufficient evid-ing Enquiry Committee, to which I larger shipments than in the pre-exampled difficulties and anxieties ence in the figures relating to im- referred at our last meeting, was vious year. The shipment from of last year, you are not unduly disports and exports and in the Rail-published in September, and em-Burma amounted to 3,500,000 tons appointed with the results. (Hear, The Chairman: Well, ladies and ways deficit, all of which have bodies much useful and interesting and those from Siam to 1,200,000 hear.) ... It was more particularly in gentlemen, the Chairman's address necessitated the Emergency Finance information. The Chairman and tons. The Rupee being linked! to the second half of the year that our Bill. The Government found it the other members of the Committee Sterling, Burma has lately had an troubles arose as the result of the Gentlemen, I expect you will, as | necessary to cut down expenditure, are to be congratulated upon the additional advantage over Siam as suspension of the Gold Standard by usual, permit me to take the Direc- increase the import duties and raise painstaking manner in which they the currency of the latter country this country and the heavy fall in tors' Report and the Accounts as taxation generally, while in addi- have carried out the enquiry, which is still based on gold, with the result the value of British and Indian tion to selling Reverse Council Bills involved much time and labour. To that in order to compete with Government Securities. The re-I would at once wish to say how to the extent of £17,000,000 to sup-refer to the report in detail to-day Burma and market her crop, she sults of the first six months, howmuch we regret the loss we have port exchange, large issues of is not only unnecessary but it would has been obliged to accept a lower ever, were such that we deemed it suffered by the resignation of Mr. Treasury Bills at high rates of in- take up too much of your time. But price in ticals, while the cultivator prudent to reduce the interim divis THREE STAR 1018 Robinson from the Board. He not terest had to be issued with the re- as some of the suggestions and re- in Burma has been able to obtain dend from 8 per cent. to 7 per cent. only took a deep interest in the wel- sult that the average Bank rate has commendations closely concern a higher price in rupees. But in hoping then to pay a similar final fare of the Bank but gave us valu- been over 7 per cent., and there what are called Foreign Banks, spite of this handicap there was a dividend, and it; is with regret (also in square pints, able advice and assistance. We are was a serious depreciation in Gov-under which heading British Banks small balance of trade in mer-that, in view of the unfortunate sorry to lose his services, but unfor- ernment Securities. The amount of are included, I cannot avoid making chandise in favour of Siam last events of the latter half, we do not tunately his health was such that Treasury Bills outstanding at the some reference to the report. In year as compared with a smaller ad now see our way to recommend a

China-Land of Mystery and

Surprises. Of China it is always difficult to know what to say. It is a land of mystery and surprises, but that it has suffered from the world depression were serious floods; and variwhich interfered with business. In spite of these dis-

with taels 180,000,000 in 1930, though this increase is largely due to increased duties and the continued collection of these on a gold basis. Then the action of Japan in Manchuris, resulting in an anti-Japanese boycott, which spread to Siam and British Malaya and proved of assistance to Lancashire manufacturers, inflicted losses on the importers of the large stocks of Japanese goods. The wide fluctuations in silver also presented difficulties for those engaged in the import trade in China and at Hong Kong. The low price of the metal ruling during the greater part of the year ought to have given an impetus to exports, but the economic basis in Europe and America, combined with the disturbed state of the country and difficulties of transport, checked this. In February the quotation for silver touched a new low record of 12d., the highest price of the year being 21 9/16d., which was quoted in November, but of course this wide range is explained by the depreciation of sterling. The Hong Kong dollar and the Shanghai tael fluctuated accordingly: the former ranging from 10 15/16d. to 1s. 65/15d. and the latter from 1s. 134d. to 2s. 05/16d. The sales of silver by the Government of India, who raised the duty on imports twice during the year, are estimated at 35,000,000 ounces, and it is reported that the Siamese Government disposed of about 18,000,000 ounces. The Commission appointed by the British Government to enquire into and advise upon the question of Hong Kong currency issued their report in August and do not recommend stabilisation of the exchange in the meantime, but make certain proposals for placing the currency more directly on a silver bullion basis than it is at present. An interesting feature of the proposals is that the dollar should practically cease to be legal tender and that the notes of the three Banks of Issueof which we are one-should be given legal tender status.

Mauritius. The cyclone in Mauritius in the

tion with British Malaya and India they have to accept very low prices

The Accounts. I come now to the accounts and, final distribution of more than 5 per cent. The non-recurring losses on

exchange arose in the ordinary course of our business in Siam and the Dutch East Indies and as, the result of those countries remaining on gold, while the yery heavy depreciation in cour : investments was is natural. In addition there quite beyond our control. There you will not be surprised to hear our military operations, all of that, arising from the further fall in the in prices, the Jecline In the value of investments generally and the universal depression, we have found

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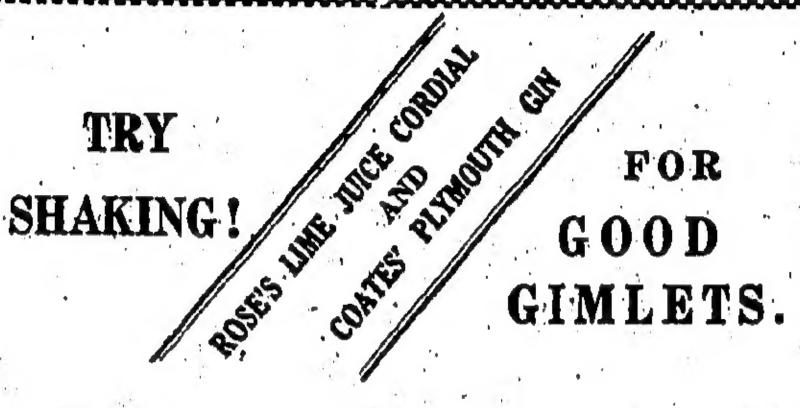
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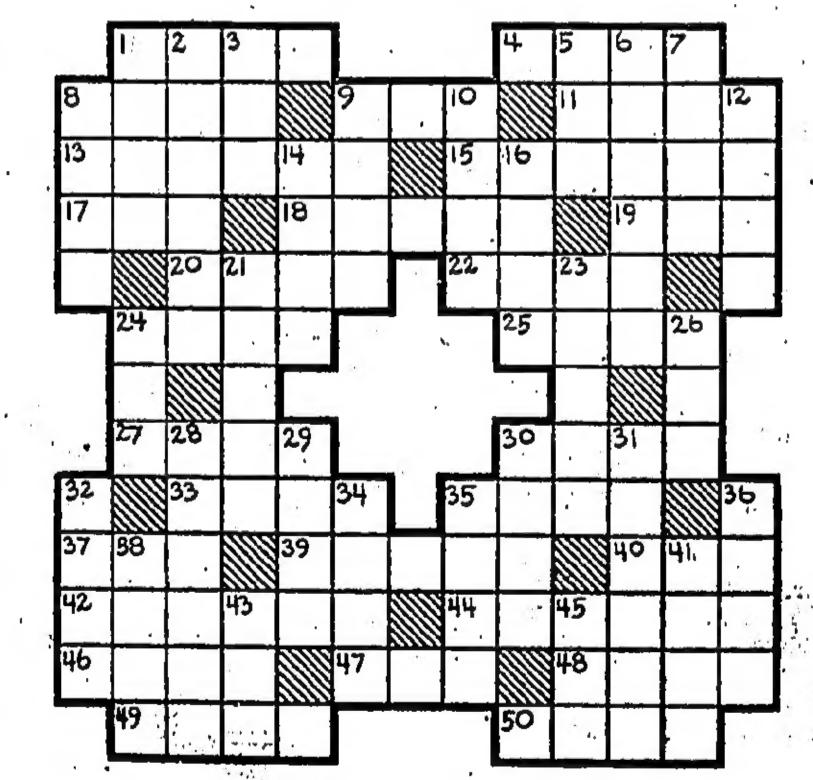
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24-Member of race who founded the Median Kingdom 25-Batlefy 27-Yewn 30-Halt 33-Leading actor

35-Rational

37-Milk (Latin)

HORIZONTAL (Cont.) | VERTICAL (Cont.) 40-National Automobile Association 42-To encounter 44-Tract of land surrounded by water 46-Girl's name 47-Teste 46-Diminutive suffix 49-German Inventor of 29-Organs of hearing

gas engines 60-Looks **VERTICAL** etory. (Colleg.) 2-A. fruit 3-Male sheep 6-Noiseless

of Congress of United States 1-A long extravagant 82-Place of Napoleon's first exile \$4-Steeps, as flax 86-Constructed 28-River in Tuecany, Italy 7-81y, (800L) 41-An insect (pl.) 43-Of age (Latin, 8-To scrutinhas -B-Largest continent 46-To the sheltared 10-An Insect (pl.)

14-Native of Poland

16-Greek god of war

24-The human face

26-Superlative sufflet

31-One of the divisions

23-Consumed

(giang)

28-The act of.

ascending

21-To accept as one's

39-Kingdom (The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrows issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

EXCHANGES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

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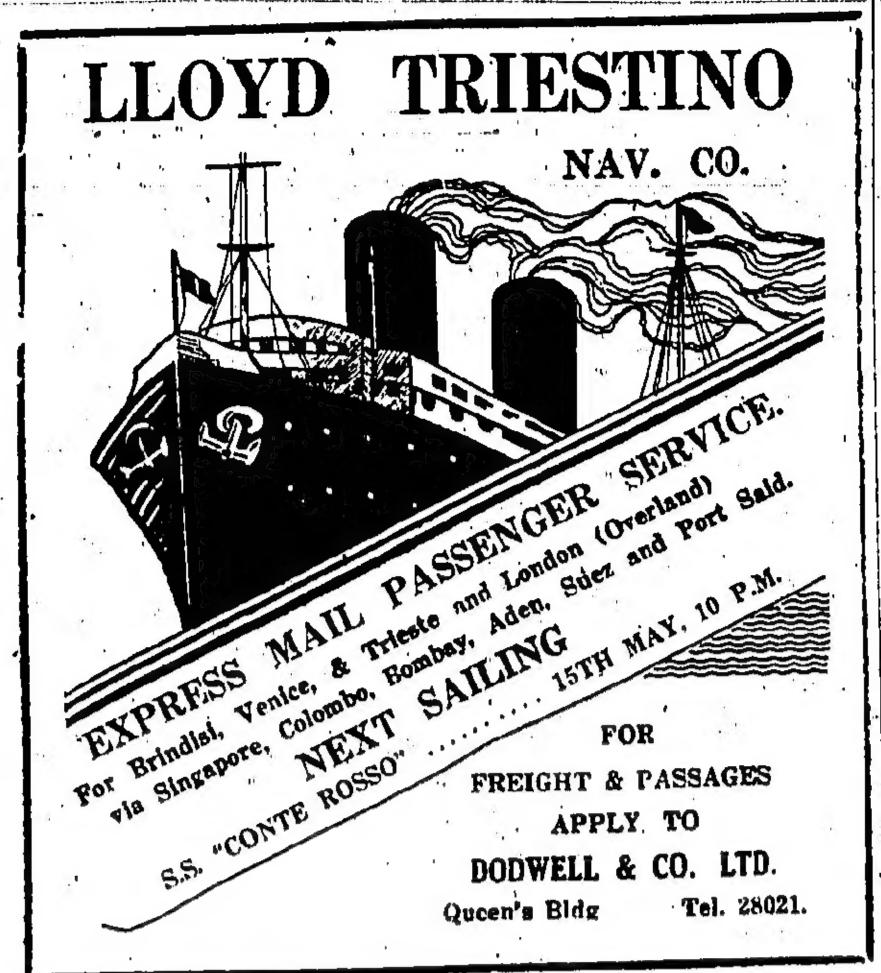
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in times like the present, we have	STOCK	Buy-	Sell-	Sales	Nom.	Fin.	Last dividend and who	n paid
made ample provision and, indeed,							The second secon	
ed too much. It was, nowever, im-	Banks.					!	` _	
possible to provide for all these con-	Hong Kong Bank\$		***	1650		Dec.	[Pinal \$3 at 1/0]-\$41-74]	Mak may an
tingencies out of the profits for the	Chartered Bank	L	gas bas		103 j	ī	Fin. 7/- Sub. to I/Tax n/e 1931	
year, but fortunately we had sub- stantial inner reserves and by trans-	Mercantile Bk., AkB. 4	8+1	2 8 00	•••	181		Int. 7%, a/c 1931 less I/Tax	
ferring £450,000 from the Reserve	Bank of Asia\$	***	***		1:5		18 for 1031	
Fund (leaving this still at £1,050,2 000, equal to the paid-up capital)	Amer. O. Fin, Corp.M\$		•••	***	29	Dec.	8834.64	144
and adding the former sum to our	Insurances.		(3)		'			4.1
inner reserves, we have made all the		***	***	•••	1250	Dec.	Fla. \$ 22 bon. \$ 10 for 1929 \$60.	200
necessary provision. Of our in-	Othor and Historia			470		Dec.	Finel let for 1020 [" **** Lintering 24/- a/e 1930]	May 19, 51 May 29, 91
large number are of a short-dated	China, Underwriters			•••	i.	Dec.	None	winh Sp' 21
character, maturing within the	1		***	. 000	590	Dec:	[Cinal St bonns 36] And \$14 for 1022	May 20, 91
have written down the whole of our		1	, •45		1195		\$60 and bonns \$5 making \$55 for 1930	Mar. 80, 82
investments to market prices ruling		4	***	***	4	Dec.	419004	100
on December. 31 last, a valuation made on February 29 discloses that		28		'			,	e
nearly all the depreciation for which			946	•••	28	Dec.	The section of the se	kre
we have provided has been recover-			•••		15	Dec.	112 ex. 2/-1 on preferred)	June 19, 22
ed, and our inner reserves are strengthened accordingly (Hear,	Na .		Es+		32		Last dividend for 1922	-
hear.) (In passing I may say that	Union Waterboats 5	***	***	r .	38/3 191	Dec.		July 6, 21
on a valuation made to-day the de- preciation has all been recovered, or				***			Su cen s for 1931	Mar. 50, 89
very nearly so.) The balance		143					. 196	*
sheet reflects a contraction in our	Kailan Mining Ad. s/-	_	200	200	23/9	Dec.	First Int. 25 centaros a/c 1952	
business all round, due chiefly to a decline in the volume of trade as	Perferentations in a sec		0 #4	841	4	Oct:	[10L Asst 20-0-27	Drc 81
compared with the previous year	LoansTls.		***	1	2.10	Dec.	ri a tatital	-0 01 00
and the fall in prices. The figures	Raphs		-4-		2 88	Dec.	I making it near 100 1930	Feb. 6. 81
under the heading "Current Fixed Deposit and other Accounts, etc.,"	Venezuela Gold Fields \$	•••	***	***	9	Dec.	} 374 IDL 20- MC YEAR 31-3-89	Mar. 15, 32
show a reduction of £2,759,000, the				i.		٠,		
principal explanation of this being			[.					
the high rates of interest at which Treasury Bills were issued in India			•••	Bed	000 Uq	Dec.	\$3 for 1931	Mar. 20, 89
and in this market. On the assets	South Ch. Motors (A) \$	***	1946	# * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	21 10	Dec.	last dividend for 1924	-
side, cash is lower by £1,163,000,	Come Lighteene forel		g 44	•••	12 4.80	Dec.	416 cents on ald	part
this reduction corresponding with our smaller liabilities in respect of			414	***			[16 cents on old] for 1931	
deposits. The decline in the value	N. Engineerings Tis.		849	4**	220 6	Dec.	Interim 'C. 3 a/c 1931	Oot. 9, 51
of our Government and other securities which, as have said,		•••	•••	***	881	1	T. 0.25 for 1931	Mar 8, 89 July 29, 81
have been written down to	Lands, Hotels &	1						
values ruling at December	H. & S. Hotels (C.R.)\$		•••	r	18.40	1		4
31, is explained by this writing down. The reduction in Bills Re-			•••	1	9.80 771	Dec.	67cts.(old) \$1cts.(new) for 1931	
ceivable of \$1,163,000, which curi-	Shanghai LandaTla.		•••		¥5	Dec.	Final \$2 making \$4 for 1931 Final T/- 0.30 bouns T/- 0.30 and T/- 0.76 for 1981	Feb. 16, 32
ously are also the figures relating to the reduction in cash, indicates				•••	10	Den,	T. 1 year 20.9-31	. Fah 90 90
	H. K. Realties		MI	910	16] 11.60	Sep.		Oct. 28, 31
At £5,285,000, our Loans Receivable		844	***	-	160	Dec.		Mar. 2, 39
and Advances show a remarkably small decline of £164,000, and make	Chinese Estates	95	***	E14	86	1	Interim 63 n/o year 25-232	Jan 80 10
it clear that we have not restricted	Dengace Explorations 3	196ta	• • • •	210			maria de rato James Ta-Safferille	
the facilities we are always ready to				(* 11)	روزا	_		2.5
afford our customers even in bad times. The total of the balance	1	4		(2.63)	, i	Dec.	T. 3-25 for half year 31-10-31	Pending
sheet, you will notice, is lower by	Zoong SingsTls.		147	t.	10	HUCL	T. 0-80 for year 80-6-81	3
£2,975,000. The Profit and Loss Account calls for very little com-							and the last soons and	Oct. 8, 31
ment, except that unfortunately the	H. K. Tramways	911	•••	LOTE	SV.90)	_		
pront shows a substantial decline.	Peak Trams (old)1			1	15]	Apr.	Pinal 60 ets, making \$1 for 1923 (90 ets, on old) for year 40 ets on new) 30-4-31	Feb. 17, 32
We have as usual added £15,000 to the Officers' Pension Fund and					8 901	Dec	140 cts on now 30-4-31	
again written £10,000 off Freehold	Yanmati Ferries	851	416		***	Doc.	85 for 1931	Feb. 21, 39 June 38, 81
Banking Premises, while at £167,- 926 the amount carried forward is			***		201	1 _	50 cts. for year 30-0-31	r
slightly increased. There is, of	H. K. Electrics	444	***	74		Dec.	\$2.50 for 1931	Mar. 23, 32
course, no addition to the Reserve	Sandakan Lights		***		12	Dec.	, *************************************	g14 ·
Fund on this occasion. As I have said, we recommend a final dividend	H.K. Tele, fully paid 2		***	***	HI	150	None Final 5% making 10% for 193	Mar. 9, 39
of 5 per cent., making 12 per cent.,	China BusesTls.		***		24.60 16	Dec.	T. 0.90 for 1929	I
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to income, you will no doubt ex- it was with regret that we apconsiderable economies have been conditions, and there was no alcarried out, though the full effect | ternative other than a reduction of these will only appear in the of their numbers. In other direccurrent year. First, of all the tions also and with the full cowere then asked to accept a re-

hear) - and I need not say they the difficulties appreciated the position and through which we are passing readily accepted the proposed reand the necessity everybody is ductions. As the Bank received under of adjusting expenditure such leyal service from the Staff. pect me to tell you that your proached them in this matter, but Directors have been looking into in your interests we deemed it the question of our expenses and our duty to do so under existing Directors having agreed to a re- operation of the Chief Manager duction in their fees, the Staff and the Staff generally, we have (Combinued on Page 2).

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ARRIVALS

C. Henri Riviere, French str., 1,355 tons, Capt. P. B. Morganti, from Canton, buoy No. A10 .-Sing Kee.

tons, Capt. C. W. Puzey, from Keelung, Taikoo Dock.-Taikoo Dock & Co. Chong Lee, Chinese str., 1,221 tons,

Capt. R. Nakagam, from Canton, buoy No. B12.-Loong Tai -Haldis, - British str., 1,144 tons,

Capt. W. Lee, from Saigon, buoy No. C4.-Wo Fat Sing. Heian Maru, Japanese str., 6,838 tons, Capt. B. Kaneko, from Shanghai, Stonecutters Anchor-

age.—N.Y.K. lop Sang, British str., 1,359 tons, Capt. P. R. Gay Cuming, from

age.-J.M. & Co. Lyeemoon, British str., 1,734 tons, buoy No. B18.-Kwong Nam & Co.

Rangoon Maru, Japanese str., 3,637 tons, Capt. M. Hamada, from Singapore, Stonecutters Anchorage.—N.Y.K.

Tchekam, Chinese str., 806 tons, Capt. Lai Yee, from Hoihow, C. Henri Riviere, for Hoihow. buoy No. C5.-Woo On & Co. Gertrude Maersk, for Manila. Tonjer, Norwegian str., 1,949 tons, Hopsang, for Shanghai. Captain H. Rasmussen, from Huichow, for Canton.

Dodwell & Co. Wong Shek Kung, Chinese str., Kutsang, for Amoy. 1,044 tons, Capt. A. Lashovet-Rangoon Maru, for Moji. sky, from Hongohe, Shumshui- Ruhr, for Dairen. po, Anchorage.-Hing Lee. Taisham, for Shanghai.

Sunday, April 17. | Yusang, British str., 1,122 tons, Captain R. C. Thompson, from Sandakan, buoy No. B22.-J.M.

Monday, April 18. Cape St. Andrew, British str., 3,163 Chekiang, British str., 1,313 tons, Capt. R. Kettlewell, from Swatow, buoy No. B20.-B. & S. Proteus, Norwegian str., 1,025 tons, described as shop keepers, were

> sen & Co. Livingston & Co.

Captain J. S. Anderson, from Canton, buoy No. B3.-B. & S. Canton, Stonecutters Anchor- Taiyuan, British str., 2,100 tons, Capt. W. T. Hodge, from Amoy, buoy No. B14.-B. & S.

Capt. E. Holmes, from Hoihow, Tsang Woo, Chinese str., ',079 tons, Capt. Eiuarsen, from Saigon, buoy No. B19.-Nam Loong.

CLEARANCES.

Monday, April 18. Chinwangtao, buoy No. B28 .- Hydrangea, for Sawtow. Isar, for Shanghai.

POST

INWARD MAILS.

Manila Empress of Russia

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20.

Shanghai and SwatowScochow

Europe via Suez (Letters & Papers, London,

U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai (Seattle,

March 24, and Parcels, March 17) Chitral

THURSDAY, APRIL 21.

FRIDAY. APRIL 22.

April 2)	
Japan	
OUTWARI	MAILS.
TUESDAY. A	PRIL 19.
Shanghai	Ajax 3.30 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow	Kong Ning 4 p.m.
Saigon	Helikon 4.30 p.m.
Manila	President Jackson . 4.30 p.m.
Holhow and Pakhol	
WEDNESDAY, A	PRIL 20.
Swatow	Huichow 8.30 a.m.
THURSDAI, A	PRIL 21.
Shanghai, *Japan and *Europe via	
Siberia	Chitral 8.30 a.m.
Amoy and Formosa via Swatow	Deli Maru 10.30 a.m.
Sandakan	Yu Sang 10.80 a.m.
Straits	Cremer 10.80 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea 8 p.m.
Amoy	Tai Yuan 8.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A.,	
C. & S. America & *Europe via	Emmana of Dunnia
Vancouver, B.C.	(Due Vancouver, B.C., May 9 and *Europe via Siberia.)
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1.00	Registration .Apr. 22, 9.15 a.m
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FRIDAY, A	PRIL 22.
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E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt &	
Europe via Marsellles	Rawalpindi
	(Due Marseilles, May 20.)
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SATURDAY,	APRIL 28.
Manila. Australia & New Zealand	
via Thursday Island	Kamo Mara

SUNDAY,

Halphong, L. 2.80 p.m.

Manila President Taft ... 4.30 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Formosa Canton Maru 2 a.m.

APRIL 21

THIEVES ABOARD A STEAMER.

Stealing Passengers' Luggage.

Before the Hon. Comdr. G. F. Hole, R.N. (retired), in the Marine Court this morning, five Chinese Capt. S. Larsen, from Port charged with boarding the J.C.J.L. Comske, buoy No. C7.-L. Lar- s.s. Tjileboet without permission. Evidence was given that two Sawahloento, Dutch str., 1,830 tons, Chinese passengers passing through Capt. G. H. Beurts, from Am- on the ship on their way to Amoy borna, buoy No. A5.-J.C.J.L. complained to the Chief Officer Sebara, German str., 2,937 tons, that the accused were stealing their Captain B. Schlegel, from Cal- luggage, and the Officer had the cutta, buoy No. B20.-Gibb, men arrested. The Magistrate imposed fines of \$10 or one week's Sinking, British str., 1,616 tons, hard labour on each of the accused.

ATLANTIC FARES GREATLY REDUCED.

It is of interest to note that the Canadian Pacific have greatly reduced fares on their trans-Atlantic ships between Montreal, Quebec and European Ports. The following fares now apply:-Tourist

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WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following British warships were in harbour to-day:-Bridgewater-East wall. Cornwall-West wall. Cumberland-North arm. Hermes-No. 1 buoy. Keppel-West wall. Marazion-East wall. Moorhen-South wall. Odin-In dock Orpheus-In dock. Otus-In dock. Tamar-Basin Veteran-South wall. Vindictive-North wall. Whitehall-No. 12 buoy. Whitshed-No. 18 buoy. Wild Swan-North arm. Wren-No. 18 buoy.

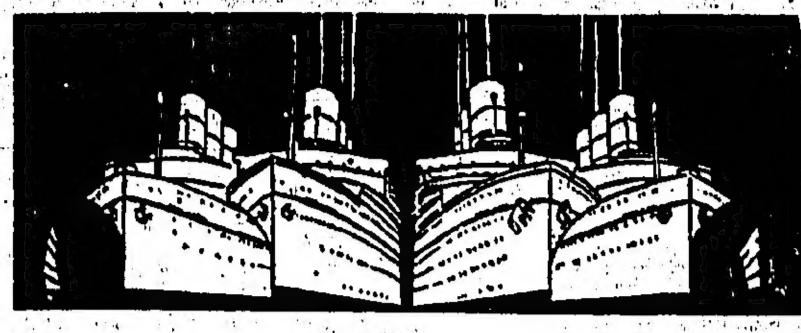
Foreign Men-of-War. Argus-French river gunboat-Canopus - American submarine

On Pak-Chinese gunboat. 36 , 37, 39, 41—American Submarines.

UTILISING OBSOLETE OCEAN LINERS.

Ship destruction rather than ship construction continues to be the order of the day, and additional firms of shipbuilders in several centres are turning their attention to this line of occupation mainly with the view of providing for their regular employees.

The Furness Shipbuilding Company of Howden Hill-on-Tees is among these; and on the Tyne, and at Sunderland, Swan Hunter and Wigham Richardson, Ltd., are now engaged breaking up three old merchant ships. . The recent relegation to the scrap heap of some notable Cunard and White Star liners has occasioned sentimental regret on many sides, and at time of writing schemes are being mooted for a prolongation of their useful life -not as passenger ships, but as stationary floating homes for townspeople where there is housing (Due Thursday Island, May 5.) shortage. One of these projects Registration .Apr. 28, 8.45 a.m. I concerns the 20,000-ton Cunard Letters A syndicate of Norwegian business men of Oslo propose purchasing the vessel and mooring her, when properly converted, as an off-shore boarding house, or block of flats, giving ac-Bangkok via Swatow Anshun 9 a.m. commodation for about 2,000 people at reasonable fents. Surely no inglorious end for the one-time favourite liner



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One of his first pre-occupations proving just as difficult to capture. on landing at Southampton was to "They edged into corners, showed obtain expert treatment for monkey wild eyes, and spat at me and

others who attempted to entrap The animals included some them. bears, several panthers, a dozen "I monkeys, a python, a hyena and with a net on it to several other beasts and reptiles. them out. The first one

"My first intimation that any- moved flew on to the bosun's thing was wrong," Mr. Dewar told shoulder. He flew round the deck a "Star" representative, "was when with the panther sticking fast to I was changing watches in the him. Indian Ocean.

past me with a look of concentrat- the panther hopped quietly off his must have a Revenue Officer in ated terror on his face. In his wake back and edged back behind the tendance when damaged dutiable were a couple of bears, ambling case again. The bosun did not goods are examined. along, and, as no one was used to figure in the next search party for bears, the decks cleared with amaz- it. ing rapidity.

that it could do so in only the one Like Whipsnade. "What had happened was that direction I got one of the mates the two bears had broken out of to assist me. their cages, and, finding no one to stop them, enjoyed themselves opening the cages of all the other mouth open towards it. And when animals, which were being convey- I prodded the next time there was ed to various zoos in the Common- a squeal from the animal and the wealth.

after-deck looked more like Whip- dearly have loved to drop. snade than Whipsnade itself!

bolling about thoroughly enjoying gles of the panther. themselves, with everyone on board "Now we had only to collect the scared stiff and at a loss to cope one recalcitrant monkey. It was then a case of needs must as the with the situation.

"All the animals were valuable, vessel was due at Fremantle on the and the skipper was particularly following day, and it was both inanxious that they should not be advisable and dangerous to go into destroyed. Therefore the problem port with a wild monkey at large. was to catch them and put them "So I spent every available hour of my watches below trying to back into renovated cages.

"We coaxed the big bears in with bring it to heel. a juicy morsel of fine beef, and soon barred them up to the com- "At one stage he mounted right plete satisfaction, of all aboard. to the tip of the foremost truck. "Fortunately for us the python "I was not following him to the

without any trouble, too. scratched out when I got near it-"The hyena was a nasty customer, but I ascended the rigging far but after numerous attempts with enough to be able to hit him with a lasso and sundry hurried exits a small block of wood to make him out of its path up into the rigging, move. managed to get the halter on to "I did hit him, and he disappear-

slithered into his repaired abode masthead—perhaps to have my eyes

it, and thus lead it into its right-ed, but only into the rigging in ful place again. Cook's Hallucinations. "The panthers, and one particu- monkey.

most formidable obstacles. "The monkey ran all over the which I managed to dodge. Then 30 knots. the officers I found one day stand-stunned him.

the gailey table, grabbed the cook's his cage, where he was impriso chopper and had a glorious day out once again. with our dinner, and all it could "I was just giving vent to a sigh "It was bad luck that he got me find to chop in that region before of relief when, like a flash of light- like that, but, after all, we had reit got tired and threw the chopper ning, the monkey was at the bars caged a whole zoo with only one overboard.

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April 18 to 24, 1982.

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ship and tried to bite anyone with he threw himself at me, and, lung- The Chevalier, Paul, after whom whom it came in contact. One of ing out with my left, I floored and the new destroyer is named, was a Knight of St. John, to whom ing on the chartroom table "Seeing that he had not recover- Cardinal Richelieu gave a comthreatening it with his sextant. ed immediately from the blow I mand. He carried out great feats "Another day it hopped up on threw myself on him and rushed to on the Barbary coast .- Reuter.

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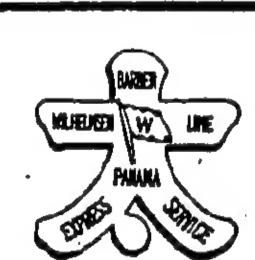
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Sailors' and Soldiers' Home

Report for year 1931

The President and Committee of mittee, Mr. J. H. Gelling, has now the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home completed two years in this office, have pleasure 'in submitting this and it is pleasing to know that he Annual Report and Statement of is continuing to serve in that Accounts for the information of capacity until he proceeds on leave the many friends who have shown early next year. The Committee practical interest in the work which is indebted to Mr. Gelling for the this Institution is doing. It is very efficient way in which its busiissued in the hope that it may be ness is carried through, and the drew a large and interested number depression in the value of Dollar, it service. In this respect it was felt LAU PAK-WAI, DENTIST, has rethe means of soliciting further fin- home for his many acts of personal of competitors. moved his Hong Kong Office to ancial support to enable the Com- service in connection with the wel-GLOUCESTER BLDG., 1st noor, red. mittee to proceed unhampered and fare of the men. His efforts on be- Annual Billiards Tournament for successfully. unhindered with a work of such half of the appeal for funds last the Ng Sze-kwong Challenge Cups 36,965 men have slept in the who use the Home might enjoy the tremendous importance where the year were chiefly responsible for the as compared with nine teams the Home during the year as against comfort of an armchair and radio welfare of our Servcie Men is con-gratifying response, and recently, previous year. Games were played 30,033 for the year 1930. This which seem to be conspicuous by clamation work has been comcerned.

> and the esteem in which he was love. C.M.G., the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kote-O.B.E., R.E., (who has left"

Southorn.

and Mrs. Anstey the Committee wel-Shenton, whose name is already a comed to the Presidency of the byword amongst those who interest some trophy has been, presented by Home, the Rev. Erris C. H. Tribbeck themselves in Social Service. who arrived in the Colony with enjoy the beauties of this Colony, enjoyed. and pledge to Mr. Tribbeck our

for the Home. institution on the one hand, and a men:ment must have an eye to detail, practical and financial, and an understanding sympathy with the Ser- "Rowing-The Supreme Sport" vice Man. We have these qualities combined in the Secretary, Mr. "India-Old and New" W. H. Smith. Our accounts are always clean and fresh (as Service) Staff are never out of humour, and always respectful and willing; the food is good and cheap; the beds "Sailing Ship Days" are clean; everything is run not with a welcome homeliness. Service Men are always ready with ap-

The past year has seen many he has made a further appeal on since when the Tournament has over 1930, and 12,060 over 1929. Institutions. The cost of this prochanges in our Committee of Man- behalf of the General Reserve. The agement, as well as the departure affairs of the Home are very near from the Colony of our first Presi- to the heart of our Hon. Secretary dent and his wife the Rev. and Mrs., and our Service friends have cause J. C. Knight Anstey. Much of the to be thankful that this office is so early success of the Home was due efficiently filled by Mr. Gelling, to to the untiring effort of Mr. Anstey whom the work is but a labour of

held was evidenced when on the evel The Committee have lost the serof his departure a very representatives of the following Ladies and right to meet the S.W.B.'s for the turn away an average of more than financial sacrifices almost unpretive gathering met in the New Gentlemen since the last issue of Lounge to bid both him and his wife this Report-Mrs. Gelling (who is Farewell. Amongst those who proceeding to England on leave) came to pay tribute to his services Mrs. Lamb, Mr. Lloyd Jones (also were the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn, on leave) and Col. R. B. Skinner, Dance has been held through the modation sufficient to meet whatever emergency. In common with the ity governing official tests on wall, C.M.G., LL.D., representatives Colony). It is always difficult to obtained the services of the Florida proud to serve, but it is left to the tle Colony has suffered from the into that port were submitted for of the local churches and the organ- lose the support of those who have isations with which he was connect- rendered such valuable help in the the evening. We would like to hands this report, may fall as to waning rates of exchange. As the ed in the Colony. The Army was committee of the home, and in this take this opportunity of expressing whether the scheme for an enlarge- months pass by, incessant demands New Public Park. represented by H.E. Major General respect we are fortunate in securing our appreciation to the leader of the ment of these present premises shall are made upon the purses of the J. W. Sandilands, C.B., C.M.G., the services of the following Gen-D.S.O., and the Navy by Commodore tlemen, and extend to them a very A. H. Walker, O.B.E. Many eulogis- hearty welcome to our Committic references were made , to the tee: Mr. A. P. Glanville, Col. F. E. service which Mr. and Mrs. Anstey Gowan, O.B.E., Financial Advisor had rendered and a fitting conclu- to the China Command, Mr. F. J sion to the evening came when the Ling, (who, is one of the oldest Patr New Lounge was dedicated to their members of our Home Committee, Black or Brown | memory by the Hon. Mr. W. T. and who rendered invaluable service on the Building Committee of the Thursday evenings. It is hoped to Following the departure of Mr. Home) and the Hon. Mr. W. E. L.

Social and Other Activities.

If a Home is to be an efficient month by the following gentle- signs of new life. During the past would arise.

Science of Thought"

Messrs. W. Sprague and C. Car- God becomes real. which are Large, Soft and Natural, tion should be made of Mrs. Smith, ruthers were responsible for the And so we are encouraged to go support. The Proceeds amounting such importance not only to the life. A large quantity of indecent and Marcel Warren and Marcel Wa Artistic Finger and Marcel Waves, Oil wife of the Secretary, who, though Debates which proved immensely ahead, seeking further opportunity, to \$1,749.60 were shared between and well being of our Service Men literature was recently seized wife of the Secretary, who, though Debates which proved immensely ahead, seeking further opportunity, to \$1,749.60 were shared between and well being of our Service Men literature was recently seized wife of the Secretary, who, though Debates which proved immensely ahead, seeking further opportunity, to \$1,749.60 were shared between and well being of our Service Men literature was recently seized. (any colour), Hair Cutting and Mani- not employed by the committee yet popular and our thanks are due to fully alive to the need, because we the Kwong Tung Flood Relief Fund but to British pre tige in the Far from a book store in Saikwan, cure for Ladies and Gentlemen. Con- serves the Home kindly and un- Messrs. Simms, Gardener, Enever, know that in our Service we have and this Home, the result being that East, cannot suffer when left to the and keen vigilance is now being The Hon. Secretary of the Com- Sprague, Carruthers and Ingrammen.

for their contribution towards the success of the events. We cannot The Financial Statements for the In spite of this fact we have only

..... Motion defeated.

Motion defeated.

chance" Motion carried. | their general welfare.

many of the Naval ships from Hong no less than 9,505 men oc-called upon to provide \$200.00 to- especially in the construction of Kong. Playing excellent Billiards cupied this form of accom- wards this sum. the South Wales Borderers have modation during the year under During the present Industrial and are, at present, features of Hong worked their way into the Final and consideration. This is an increase Commercial Depression, which is Kong and Kowloon, are also to be it now remains for H.M.S. Kent of 4,352 over 1930 and 7,693 over world wide, the peoples of all na- seen in Canton and other large and H.M.S. Medway to contest the 1929. In addition we have had to tions are being called upon to make Chinese cities.

coveted trophy and medals. will come again.

Badminton is extremely popular organise a tournament during the coming season for which a hand-Mr. Mok Kong-sang.

with a long experience of Social Naval ships from their Northern very capable hands of three of our Management Salary, Servants the need of a fellow man. sive and up-to-date.

Finance.

overlook too, the part which our year 1931 which follow speak for been able to show a nett profit on Service friends played in making themselves, but a few words of ex- the year of \$87.98. It is unnecesthis series of Debates amongst the planation will confirm the opinion sary to point out the little margin best we have had in the home. | already expressed of the need for such a sum allows towards increas-The following were amongst the annual subscribers to the work of ing our Reserve Fund. the Home. In this respect the Turning to the Balance Sheet, "That, in the modern world, the Committee are indebted to those the stem \$2,026.30 shown under been issued by the new Director penalties of marriage are more Ladies and Gentlemen who have General Reserve is chiefly special of the Burcau of Public Works, grievous than those of celibacy" come forward during the past year Donations granted by the various warning members of the staff and shown their sympathy in a prac- Ships' Companies towards this against receiving bribes in the "That the Cinema as at present tical manner by generous donations Fund. The response from the men form of gifts from contractors organised is a force for evil" to the funds, as well as to the who are continually using the Home and people applying for permits various ships' companies of the s very gratifying and is an encour- and licences. "That in this modern age China Fleet, who have ever been agement to the Committee to allow Youth is not given a fair ready to recognise any effort for nothing to hinder their efforts on Meningitis.

"That Machinery is ruining The Sino-Japanese unrest, which such practical appreciation." civilisation" Motion defeat- has necessitated the withdrawal of A glance at our Assets reveals the many of the Naval Ships and Mili- fact that additions to Furniture and The Socials under the supervision tary personnel from the Colony, has Equipment have been made during have ordered local theatres and of Mr. W. H. Edmonds, M.B.E., seriously affected the revenue of the past year amounting have been an unqualified success and the Home during the latter part of \$1,133.43 which has been necessary the last event which took the form the year under review, but in spite to assure the maintenance of the supply of Meninx toxine has been of a Progressive Games Evening of this and the fact of the continued desired standard of efficiency and called for. will be seen that the Home has that a Lounge furnished more on Pier-Owners.

50 men per night during our busy cedented. It is with a feeling of Cement Tests. The Whist Drives have not been period. The Committee of the pride that we learn of the patriotic At the meeting of the Provinpopular and were discontinued early Home are fully alive to the need for way in which the people of our own cial Council the new rules subin the Season. A very successful the provision of sleeping accom- country are responding to this mitted by the Swatow Municipalthe efforts of Commander Brooke who demands are made by the men it is rest of the British Empire our lit- the quality of cement imported Dance Band free of any charge for financial support of those into whose ebb-tide of financial depression and approval. Band and his loyal colleagues for become a reality, and place us in a European Community which form tish Consulate is to be converted their help and for the excellence of position to meet this very urgent such a small part of the population into a public park, the work on the music rendered. We hope they need, justified by the continued of this Island. In a manner none which is expected to be complet-Sprague is the Secretary, and the they are throwing out, and in this seldom that an appeal for any game is played on Monday and form of social service there is al- worthy cause passes unheeded. Bank, Saikwan, marks the

The Tuesday evening meeting for Athletic Association. This match need.

by Captain Holland. Service Men continues happily. It was organised through the very The Committee are therefore en- Hospital, where medicine will be merely with a cold efficiency but "Ibsens Peer Gynt with Grieg's is no small thing to share our appres generous sanction of the Hong couraged to leave the future finan- supplied free of charge to the ciation of the abiding values of life Kong Football Association, to whom cial position of the Home in the poor and working class people. by The President. in this way. Friends are made, the Committee are deeply indebted hands of those who shall read this for their practical sympathy and report, confident that a service of Indecent Literature. Maclachlan, Bernard, Smith, Him who became the servant of all our Donations received from this judgment of those to whom this observed by the Bureau of Social source the very handsome figure of appeal is made.

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behalf of those who have shown

should be provided so that the men the allotment of space to piertogether with Commander Brooke, regularly up to the Semi-final round, figure shows an increase of 6,982 their absence in nearly all Service pleted. been delayed owing to the sudden Our "Shake-downs" have revealed vision was \$688.80 but thanks to emergency in Shanghai- which remarkable figures: they dis- the generosity of a few interested necessitated the withdrawal of close the startling fact that friends the Committee were only vities and road-extension work,

patronage of our Service Men. It the less praiseworthy our nationals ed within three months. is obvious that the men expect us rise to the occasion as do their to face up to the challenge which brothers across the seas; it is very Bank Failure. ways something more than can be With the little information it is twelfth failure of local banks done. It is optimistic adventure, in possible to give in a report of this within four weeks, mainly in keeping with the Spirit of the Ser- nature regarding the urgency of consequence of the Sino-Japanese taining at all costs its efficiency and

vices and does bring the anticipated our work and the necessity of main- crisis in Shanghai. Our Profit and Loss Account has standard of service, we can only Commercial Leaders Dined. Our Library, recently recatalogu- had to face heavier financial calls rely upon the generous response of Mrs Tribbeck early in November During the cooler months of the ed and reconditioned, now comprises than during the previous year, not- its readers, prompted by that true were the guests of the Commis-Phone 21474. last. Mr. Tribbeck came to us year and with the return of the nearly 1,000 books. It is in the able increases being shown on patriotic spirit which responds to sioner of Civil Affairs at a din-Work in Walsall and Manchester Cruise the Committee prepared an loyal service men in the persons of Wages, Fuel and Light, Rents, It is obvious, too, that many of of the Sun Co.'s store. and the enthusiastic and optimistic interesting and varied programme Messrs. Redmond, Meehan and Rates and Taxes, and Repairs, the local Chinese citizens realise manner in which he has taken over of activities. An Entertainments Mordan. The fiction section offers whilst the sum of \$2,500 has been that the presence of Naval, Ships Defence Premium Bonds. the leadership of this Institution is Committee was formed under the a wide selection of the writings of written off for depreciation and our and Military Units in Hong Kong is a happy augury of the future suc- Chairmanship of Commander E. D. the best known authors of our own Reserves increased by \$1,762.71. as much in their interests as those issued by the Government to cess and prosperity of the Home. Brooke, R.N., and with various sub- country and translations of the With regard to our income, by of the countries from whence the raise funds for the purpose of We can only wish the Rev. and Mrs, committees allocated to deal with standard works of the great novel- far the larger proportion has been Defence Forces are drawn. This is strengthening the defences in Tribbeck and their wee laddie the Socials, Lectures and Debates, a ista of other lands; the range of derived from our sleeping accom- evidenced by the many Chinese the best of health that they may long very successful season has been the non-fiction section is comprehen modation, and it cannot be too friends who have, from time to \$30,000,000 will be raised by this

strongly emphasised that if it were time, expressed their interest in our method. Through the efforts of Messrs. The Sunday evening Service not for the support the Home re- endeavours, with generous donawhole-hearted support in his efforts J. H. Gelling and M. F. Key a series Men's Hour, which continues ceives in this direction, a very tions. This report would be incom- Hainan Island. of Lectures have been given every throughout the year, has shown serious financial embarrassment plete without due mention of the Dr. C. C. Wu's enthusiasm following gentlemen, whose names over the development of Hainan few weeks we have listened to a Our Donations amounting to we are glad to include in our list of Island has been revealed. He is "home" on the other, the manage- "Jottings from a Journalist's Note talk on Comparative Religion by \$2,407.88 represents largely a grant Donors:—Sir Robert Ho Tung, Kt., quoted as having said that he Leading Seaman Maclachlan, a of £50 from the Lords Commission- LL.D., the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, will work hard and toil like a nigby Mr. M. F. Key, paper on the Justification of Mis-ers of the Admiralty and converted C.M.G., LL.D., Mr. Fung Wei-shing, ger. It is the purpose of Dr. Wu sionary Work by Stoker Petty Offi- at the prevailing rate of exchange Mr Ma Ying-piu, Mr. Ho Kom-tong, to inaugurate a system of selfby Dean Swann, cer Ryder and our Secretary has yielded the very satisfactory sum of Mr. Chan Lim-pak, Mr. Kwok Siu- government and reconstruction given us his experiences in Central over \$1,000, and a generous Dona- lau, Mr. Wong Kwok-shuen, Mr. work on the island and this will. by Col. R. B. Skinner, O.B.E. China. An average of over 30 men tion of \$450.00 from the Whampon Ng Sze-kwong, Mr. Mok Kon-sang, be planned on a comprehensive scrupulously kept; the building is "Naval Operations in the Pacific" attend this hour of Social Fellow- Bethel Fund. Further, at the be- and Mr. Cheung Kat-shing. It is scale. by A Naval Officer, ship, which led by our friend and ginning of the present football felt that there are many others who Men have pointed out); the Chinese "Some Practical Aspects of the Chaplain, the Rev. E. C. H. Trib- season, a Charity Football Match will gladly subscribe towards our Free Dispensary. beck, is permeating the whole of was arranged between a combined sims and objects when they are A public dispensary will be by Dr. K. C. Yeo, A.M.O.H. the activities of the Home. Services Team and the South China conversant with the urgency of our established in the premises for-

CANTON

April 18.

Bribes. A general notification has

Although the Meningitis epidemic is now on the wane, preventive measures have not been relaxed. The Bureau of Health amusement resorts to refuse admission to children, and a large

owners along the Bund when re-

Building Activity.

The increase in building acti-

The compound of the old Bri-

The closing of the Yau Cheung

Many local commercial leaders ner party held in the restaurant

Premium bonds have been Kwangtung

merly occupied by the Fong Pin

the evil.

Plethora of Societies. According to a report issued

by the Kwangtung Provincial Kuomintang headquarters there are in Canton 133. commercial unions, 256 labour guilds, 918 agricultural associations, 30 women's aid societies, 448 various public organisations and 90 educational societies.

Back from Nanking.

Finance, arrived by Central Government on Manalf of the provincial authorities for subsidy to meet the deficit of the local military expenditure.

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Detective Inspector Reynolds ap- the Police were compelled to fire, peared for the Crown, whilst Mr. and the casualties were twelve G. K. Hall Brutton was for the Police injured (two seriously)

days, at 2.30 p.m.

HINDU - MOSLEM CLASH.

Fierce-Rioting Near Calcutta.

MOSQUE DESECRATED.

Calcutta, Yesterday.

The discovery of a dead pig outside a mosque at Naihati, near Calcutta, was to-day followed by a serious outbreak of communal rioting in which one provinces, concludes the state- them recently detained in German son was killed and twenty-two injured. Thirty-seven arrests have been made.

The trouble originated in the refusal of a Hindu landlord to allow his Moslem tenants to sacrifice a cow during the Moslem festival Bakr-id.—Reuter.

HIGH SOCIETY WEDDING.

Their Majesties Attend.

London, Yesterday.

Their Majesties the King and Queen specially drove up from Windsor to attend the wedding of Lord Hyde, the King's Godson (son of the Earl of Clarendon, Governor-General of South and the Honourable Africa) Marion Glyn, daughter of Lord and Lady Wolverton. - Reuter. Their Majesties Sign Marriage

Register. Rugby, Yesterday. Their Majesties, who signed the marrjage register, were loudly cheered by a large crowd outside

unable to leave his Official duties, headquarters at Hengtaohotze. | the track near Weishaho, but it but Lady Clarendon travelled from Cape Town to see her son married. supported by an armoured train, authorities. All traffic was inter--Reuter and British Wireless Ser- commenced an advance from rupted for nine hours.-Reuter's

SHIRTS RED INDIA.

Active Again. NATIONAL WEEK,

A Frost.

Rugby, Yesterday.

a statement circulated Commons to-day reviewing remand, before Mr. Wynne-Jones, war District north of the Kabul in connection with the murder of River, where large crowds had George Fung on the night of March made efforts, with considerable 24. The corridor and passages success, to interfere with the full of well-dressed Chinese men and reinforced by troops to disperse the stone-throwing crowds arm-Mr. T. Murphy, A.S.P. and Chief ed with lathis. In one instance

> in "National Week" results were singularly small. A renewal of disturbances had occurred in Allahabad where,

> owing to continued brick and stone throwing, thirty rounds were discharged and two rioters were killed and twenty injured. The situation was under control within two or three days. Activity also had occurred in

Cawnpore, but improved quickly when the Police were reinforced and, in Bombay, National Week

AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRY.

Two Commissions to Be Set Up.

Rugby, Yesterday. The Minister of Agriculture (Sir John Gilmour) announced in the Commons to-day, that two reorganisation commissions were to be set up for the Agricultural Industry—one for milk and milk products and the other for pigs and pig products.

Sir Edward Grigg will preside over the first, and Colonel Lane Fox over the second, which, inter glia will consider the quantitative regulation of imports of pigs and bacon.-British Wireless Service.

OLD KIRINITES ADVANCE.

Harbin, To-day. It is reported that a young Chinese woman graduate of Military Academy has recently Lord Clarendon, who is Governor- arrived from the U.S.S.R. as Chief General of South Africa, was of the Partisan detachment, with

Shihtowhotze this morning.

THE CAUSE OF DE VALERA.

Irish-Americans to Rally.

FORD'S APPEAL.

New York, Yesterday. An attempt is being made here to rally the whole body of Irish-Americans to the cause of De Valera,

Mr. Ford, President of the Irish World, a New York newspaper, has appealed for an Irish race convention in New York and declares:—

"England will back down when she finds Irish Republicans determined to hold their own, and when she learns that the Irish in America in everywise are aiding Iteland to achieve complete independence."

A similar Irish race convenand one rioter killed. After the tion was held in New York in Hearing of the trial was fixed for poll the situation quietened down, March, 1916, after a similar ap-Tuesday (April 26) and Friday In spite of special efforts of peal had been made by Mr. Ford.

(April 29) commencing on both Congress to rouse public interest The Easter Week rising in Ire-The Easter Week rising in Ireland, it is to be remembered, occurred six weeks later. — Reuter's American Service.

BRITISH REMITTANCES.

Detained in Germany.

Rugby, Yesterday. Asked in the Commons to-day had proved an almost complete whether arrangements had been india, the effects of National made for the restoration to British Week were negligible, and several owners of remittances belonging to ment, report it passed almost un- banks, while in transit from noticed,—British Wireless Ser- Budapest to London, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs (Captain Eden) stated that the Foreign Secretary had made it clear that British bondholders had a very strong claim to the release of those funds and that the British Ambassador in Berlin had again been instructed to press this viewpoint strongly on the German Government.-British Wireless Ser-

£95,000 REFUSED FOR PICTURE.

Lawrence's "Red Boy."

Rugby, Yesterday. 'Art experts from Europe and America were present in Lambton Castle, Durham, to-day, when many world famous works of art from the collection of Lord Durham were auctioned.

Lawrence's Portrait of a "Red Boy" was withdrawn at £95,000, the largest bid ever made for a picture in England thus being refused .--British Wireless Service.

Government troops pulled up Troops of the Old Kirin Army, has been repaired by the railway Pacific Service.

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